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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.

In the Goods of ANNE JOHNSON, formerly of 21 Corrig avenue, Kingstown, and late of 17 Alma road, Monkstown, both in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of or to have any claim against the estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 1st day of February, 1917, by her Will, dated the 10th day of April, 1916, made the following charitable bequests, viz.:—To Miss Ellen Sandes, for the benefit of her Soldiers' Home, £50, also my gold snuff-box and all my books to the Church of Ireland Auxiliary to the London Society for Promoting Christianity Amongst the Jews, £100; to the Hibernian Church Missionary Society Auxiliary, to the Church Missionary Society for Africa and the East, £50; to the Hibernian Bible Society, £50; to the Kildare Home, Abbeyview, Bray, £250." And Testatrix declared that the receipt of the respective Treasurers for the time being of the said Societies and Institutions should be a sufficient discharge for the said legacies respectively; and further, that in the event of her estate proving insufficient to discharge all the general legacies in full, the legacies to the said Miss Ellen Sandes, the said Society for Promoting Christianity Amongst the Jews, the said Hibernian Church Missionary Society, the said Hibernian Bible Society, and the said Kildare Home, should be paid in full in priority to the other general legacies, which are to abate proportionately.

Probate of said Will was granted on the 16th day of March, 1917, forth of the Principal Registry of the King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Ireland to the Rev. John Clarence Downes, of Seafield Lodge, Monkstown, aforesaid, Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, and the Rev. Philip H. Johnson, of the Rectory, Wicklow, in the County of Wicklow, Clerk in Holy Orders, the Executors therein named.

Dated this 21st day of March, 1917.

J. & A. GALLOWAY, Solicitors for the said Executors, 55 Upper Sackville street, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests and to all whom it may concern.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Goods of CHARLES JAMES LOVETT, late of The Cottage, Navan, in the County of Meath, Auctioneer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of, or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or effects of the above-named deceased, who died on the 21st day of August, 1916, are hereby required, on or before the 1st day of May, 1917, to furnish in writing the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors of said deceased, to whom Probate of the Will of said deceased was granted on the 19th day of March, 1917, forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Ireland.

And Notice is hereby further given that, after the said 1st day of May, 1917, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which particulars shall then have been sent.

Dated this 21st day of March, 1917.

PATRICK TAULAN, Solicitor for Executors, 150 St. Stephen's Green, W., Dublin; and Drogheda.

In the Goods of JAMES DOYLE, Deceased.

Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, entitled "An Act further to Amend the Law of Property and to Relieve Trustees." Notice is hereby given, that all persons having claims against the estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 11th day of December, 1916, are hereby required to furnish the particulars in writing of such claims or demands on or before the 23rd day of April, 1917, to the undersigned Solicitors for Mary Doyle, the Executrix, on the 9th day of March, 1917, granted forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division, Probate, of the High Court of Justice, Ireland. And Notice is hereby further given, that after the said 23rd day of April, 1917, the said Executrix will distribute the Assets of the said Deceased, according to the rights of the parties interested, having regard only to the claims and demands of which she shall then have had notice.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1917.

MAXWELL, WELDON, and CO., Solicitors, for said Executrix, 40 North Great George's street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Goods of PATRICK McCABE, late of Barnageeragh, Balbriggan, in the County of Dublin, Farmer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of or to have any claim against the estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 11th day of January, 1917, are hereby required, on or before the 30th April, 1917, to furnish in writing the particulars of their claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors of the Will of said deceased, to whom Probate of said Will was granted on the 23rd February, 1917.

And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 30th day of April, 1917, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which particulars shall then have been sent.

Dated this 15th March, 1917.

LAURENCE J. O'NEILL, Solicitor for Executors, 58 Upper Sackville street, Dublin.

Pursuant to an Order of the CHANCERY DIVISION OF THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN IRELAND,

Made in the Matter of the Estate of HUGH DOYLE, late of Barnacoile, Sandyford, in the County of Dublin, Grazier, Deceased;

And in a Cause "DOYLE v. DOYLE," 1917, No. 27.

The creditors of the said Hugh Doyle, Deceased, who died in or about the month of October, 1916, are, on or before the 2nd day of April, 1917, to send by post prepaid, to Messrs. Miley and Miley, of 13 South Frederick street, in the City of Dublin, the Solicitors for the Defendant, the Administrator of the Deceased, their Christian and surname, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.

Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before the Hon. Mr. Justice Barton, at his Chambers, Four Courts, Dublin, on the 16th day of April, 1917, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated this 14th day of March, 1917.

THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk. WILLIAM J. SHIDDART, Solicitor for Plaintiff, 6 Westmoreland street, Dublin.

In the Goods of THE REVEREND JAMES ANDERSON, Deceased.

Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, entitled "An Act further to Amend the Law of Property and to Relieve Trustees." Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming to be creditors of or to have any claim or demands upon or affecting the estate of the said Reverend James Anderson, late of 39 Harrington street, Dublin, Catholic Clergyman, who died on the 22nd day of December, 1915, are hereby required to furnish the particulars (in writing) of such claims or demands, on or before the 23rd day of April, 1917, to the undersigned Solicitors for Frances Clare Anderson, the Administratrix, to whom Administration of the personal estate of the said deceased was on the 5th day of March, 1917, granted forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division (Probate), of the High Court of Justice in Ireland. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 23rd day of April, 1917, the said Administratrix will distribute the assets of the said deceased according to the rights of the parties interested, having regard only to the claims and demands of which she shall then have had notice.

Dated the 22nd day of March, 1917.

MAXWELL, WELDON, and CO., Solicitors for said Administratrix, 40 North Great George's street, Dublin.

In the Goods of JAMES JACKSON, late of Beechlawn, Kilcullen, County Kildare, Farmer, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of the above, who died on 15th December, 1916, should send particulars thereof to the undersigned Solicitors for Henry Wisdom, of Gormanstown, Dunlavin, and William Cooper, of Dunstown, Kilcullen, Co. Kildare, Farmers, the Executors therein named, who obtained Probate of his Will on Codicils on 21st March, 1917, and who will distribute the assets after the 28th of April next, having regard only to the claims previously received.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting in connection with the Convalescent Home, Stillorgan, was held yesterday afternoon at the offices, 5 Molesworth street, Dublin. Mr. D. R. Pack Beresford, D.L., presided.

Mr. W. A. Riggs, Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting and letters of apology from Dr. R. A. Hayes and Mr. G. A. Newsom.

The Chairman said he felt it a great honour to have been asked to take the chair at the 55th annual meeting of the Home. No doubt, the reason they had asked him to fill that post was the connection he had had for the past two and a half years with that branch of their work which they all had so much at heart—the care and treatment of those gallant men who had done so much for them all. (Hear, hear.) It had fallen to his lot during the past two years to come into close touch with most of the institutions in and about Dublin which were doing this most necessary work, and he could assure them that in none of them was more useful work done than in the Home at Stillorgan. Last September the military authorities requested the Committee to place as many beds at their disposal for wounded soldiers as possible. The Committee were able to allocate 44 beds, which they guaranteed for six months, and which the military promptly availed themselves of. He was glad to be able to state that the military authorities were so well satisfied that they had been pleased to renew their arrangement with the Home, and would continue to send the wounded soldiers after the expiration of the six months. (Applause.) But an institution like the Home had to think not only of the soldiers, but also of the civilian patients; and must, therefore, always keep a watchful eye on its financial position. This, he was very pleased to state, formed a study of the balance sheet, had been well maintained, but the Committee were very anxious that new subscribers would come along and take the place of those who had dropped out from one cause or another, as it was a matter of deep concern to them to be able to keep up the efficiency of the Home in face of the great increase in prices of all commodities. (Hear, hear.) The public at large ought to be very grateful to the ladies and gentlemen who had to devote such a lot of time, and so much of their energy, to keep an institution like that going. (Applause.)

Mr. Hume Dudgeon, in proposing the adoption of the report, congratulated the members of the Management Committee on their admirable work throughout the year, especially during the rebellion, when food was very scarce. The subscriptions had been well maintained, despite the strenuous times through which they were passing, and too much could not be said of the Matron, who managed to keep the expenditure down to a very low figure. (Applause.)

Mr. C. H. Chaytor seconded the motion, and stated that the public had the greatest possible confidence in the institution.

Surgeon-General Sir R. W. Ford, in supporting the motion, which was unanimously carried, thanked the Committee for their great kindness in opening the doors of the Home to sick and wounded soldiers, who carried away abiding recollections of the kindness which they had received at Stillorgan. He also expressed gratitude to the Matron for her unrivalled solicitude towards the patients, and he thanked the medical staff and all the nurses. It was a great advantage to the military authorities to have homes such as that at Stillorgan at their disposal. Thanks were also due to the generous subscribers, and he hoped that a minute would be put on record that during the great war the Convalescent Home, Stillorgan, had not failed in its duty by caring for the sick and wounded soldiers of the Empire. (Applause.)

On the motion of Mr. E. A. Trouton, seconded by Mr. M. E. Lalor, the Committee of Management, with the exception of Sir John Barton, who has left Ireland, was re-elected.

Thanks were accorded to the physicians and surgeons, who had generously helped in the work of the institution, on the motion of Mr. Wm. Perrin, seconded by Mr. H. P. Goodbody.

Dr. R. D. Purefoy acknowledged the resolution.

The thanks of the meeting was conveyed to the Chairman, on the motion of Mr. A. C. Cameron, seconded by Captain Scovell.

DUBLIN SESSIONS.

THE CONDITION OF CITY AND COUNTY.

The Recorder of Dublin (Right Hon. Thomas O'Shaughnessy) yesterday opened the Criminal Sessions for the City and County of Dublin, in Green street Courthouse. At the commencement, the Lord Mayor and the High Sheriff for the City of Dublin were on the bench.

Mr. Dudley White, K.C., was instructed by the Chief Crown Solicitor in the various prosecutions.

THE RECORDER'S ADDRESSES.

His lordship, addressing the City Grand Jury, said that the number of cases to go before it was small in comparison with former times, and many of them were of the most trifling character, which ought not to have been sent forward for trial, and ought to have been dealt with by the magistrates. A great number of the cases were of an ordinary kind, such as might be found in large centres of population. The people had no wave of crime, and no great professional criminal class in the city, that was evidenced by the complete security of the homes of the city. For instance, there was not a single case of burglary for trial. There was a case of house-breaking, but it was a small case, and offences of the kind ought to be dealt with by the magistrates. He did not say that they could be. He was not certain how the law stood, but one would imagine that they could be so tried, and that business men did not need to be brought from their business, when in England grand juries were not summoned at all.

THE METROPOLITAN COUNTY.

The Recorder afterwards addressed the Grand Jury for Co. Dublin. His lordship said the duties the jurors would be called upon to discharge were not by any means heavy. In all there were five cases for their consideration, and he need hardly say to them—because they were living among the people and knew perfectly the condition of the county—that it was in a very peaceable and orderly condition.

His Lordship lastly said it was rather a pity that the exemption English Grand Juries had got during the war had not been extended to Ireland. In the city there was no danger at all, because the divisional magistrates did their duty. They made mistakes; all did it. But practically they never sent forward for trial anybody who ought not to be. He congratulated the county on the condition in which it was, and he expressed the wish that it might long continue in the same way.

A STAR FOR PARNELL.

Maurice Epstein, of Rathmines, was indicted for having, on the 10th of March, feloniously received a gold star, the property of Michael Downes, knowing it to have been stolen. Mr. James Lardner, M.P., was instructed for the defence by Mr. Noyk.

It appeared that the star, which bore Charles Stewart Parnell's name, had been found in Epstein's possession by Constable 50 E. One of two boys who had brought the star to Epstein stated that he was told by the other, Slevin, that he had come by it honestly. The Recorder remarked that it was strange how the star had got from the late Charles Stewart Parnell into a feather shop. Constable 50 E. informed his lordship that Parnell's brother said that the star had never reached him. His was stated for the defence that the star had been left with Epstein to affix a pin, and that it was lying on the bench in his workroom. The Rev. Abraham Gudanski, senior minister of the Dublin Hebrew Congregation, gave the defendant a high character. Mr. Lardner pleaded that Epstein was a watchmaker and jeweller, who did repairs. The star had been valued at £10; he doubted that its intrinsic value was £2. In his opinion, there was nothing to sustain the charge. The Recorder, addressing the jury, said that it was hard to see where the crime was in the case at all. In a place where gold was taken in and no questions asked the article was usually put into a little crucible, and in a few minutes it was a lump. The prisoner was found not guilty, and was discharged.

A STOLEN HORSE.

John Fenner was indicted for having, on or about the 26th of January, feloniously received a bay gelding the property of Egan and Co., knowing the gelding to have been stolen. Mr. Lardner was instructed by Mr. Lidwell for the defence.

After the evidence, the Recorder said he thought that there was no case whatever.

Mr. Lardner brought to mind that Fenner had lost £15.

The jury acquitted the prisoner, and one of its number asked could not the man be compensated.

His lordship agreed with the verdict. He did not think that Fenner ought to have been sent for trial.

The county jurors were discharged. The city jurors were ordered to come back on Monday morning.

DUBLIN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The weekly meeting of the Committee of Dublin Society P.C.A. was held at the Secretary's office, 55 Westmoreland street, on Thursday. Mr. William Perris presided. The following were also present:—Mr. Miss Alice M. Powell, Mr. Freeman W. Deane, Mr. B. H. O'Reilly, J.P.; Dr. S. T. Gordon, F.R.C.P.I.; Mr. G. W. Marsh, and C. E. Graham Harvey (Secretary). Reports of cases of cruelty during the week were before the Committee. The officers also reported on convictions obtained during the week in Dublin Metropolitan Police Courts. The Secretary reported on dogs sold and claimed at the Dogs' Home, Grand Canal quay, during the week. The Home, Grand Canal quay, during the week. The following contributions were thankfully acknowledged:—Mrs. Lawless, 5/-; Mrs. Edge, £1; Mrs. Freeman W. Deane, Esq.; P. A. B. Turner, Esq., Dundrum, 10/-; Miss Caffrey, £1; Mrs. Reed, 6/-; Mrs. Revley, £1; Sir Charles Cameron, Pease, £3; Mrs. Rice, 5/-; Dublin Prize Fund; Mrs. Pratt, £1 1/-; and £1 1/- Donkey Prize Fund; Mrs. Pratt, 2/6; and the following, per Miss Larchet (collector), 2/6; and the following, per Miss Salisbury Drug Hall, viz.—A. J. Cahill, Esq., 2/6; Robert Blake and Co., 2/6; H. Waters and Sons, 2/6; Robert Blake and Co., 1/-.

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Theatre Royal—Hippodrome, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"The Basker," 2.30 and 8 p.m.
Queen's—"Wanted by the Police," 2.30, 6.45, and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"The Iron of Persuasion" and "The Shewing-Up of Blanco Posnet," 2.30, 9.15.
Empire Theatre—Matinée in aid of Disabled Soldiers, 2.30 o'clock; Usual Performances at 6.30 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre, Phibsborough—3 to 10.30.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 11 p.m.
Royal Hibernian Academy—Exhibition, Metropolitan School of Art, Kildare Street, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Water Colour Society of Ireland—Exhibition of Water Colours, 6 Merrion Row.
City and County Permanent Building Society—Meeting, 57 Dame Street, 2.30 p.m.
Dr. Steevens's Hospital Linen Guild, 4.30 p.m.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1917.

The Government and Ireland.

The failure of last year's Irish negotiations was embittered by the foolish optimism with which they were undertaken. All Irishmen will be wise to realise now that only one thing is certain about the Government's new plan. There is no certainty that it will succeed, but there is a certainty that, if it fails, a great deal of mischief will have been done. "If we make the attempt," Mr. Bonar Law admitted, "and if it again fails, the position will be worse than it was before." The Government, it is true, thinks that the risk is "worth while"; but the worst results of failure would not fall on the Government—they would fall on the people of Ireland. For the moment, therefore, we shall best serve the interests of Irish Unionists, and indeed of the whole country, by maintaining an attitude of the utmost vigilance. Without seeking to hinder, we shall be ill-advised to put a foot forward until we have contemplated the succeeding step. The Government, it appears, has no definite plan—we know only that, "in some way or other," it will make "another attempt." Nevertheless, by a simple process of elimination, we can arrive at the general character of the only plan which has any prospect of success. In the first place, the Home Rule Act now on the Statute Book is dead. In the second place, the Government has pledged itself solemnly against the coercion of any Irish minority. In the third place, Unionist Ulster remains resolutely opposed to Home Rule for the whole of Ireland: the *maximum* of her concession is still the exclusion of the six north-eastern counties. It follows with virtual certainty that the Government, being now committed to another attempt, will be compelled to fall back upon the policy of partition. That policy was rejected less than a year ago by at least two-thirds of the Irish people with a unanimity and vehemence for which our country's political history affords few precedents.

These are the plain facts of the case, and they furnish no food for optimism. We must assume that the Government proposes to undertake three remarkable conversions in Ireland. The first is the conversion of the Nationalist majority to partition, and the second the conversion of the Southern Unionists to partition. These conversions must take place before the new plan is submitted to Parliament at all. The third is the conversion of Unionist Ulster to Home Rule for an undivided Ireland within a very few years from the time when the partition scheme takes effect as law. The Government knows, or ought to know, that neither the Nationalist majority nor the Southern Unionist minority will accept permanent partition at any price. It is doubtful whether they will accept even temporary partition at any price. Certainly the least price which they would consider for a moment must include absolute assurances that of her own free will—for there must be no coercion—Unionist Ulster would come into the Home Rule scheme at the end of five or ten years. Will the Government be able to furnish such assurances? The question seems to supply its own answer; yet, if the new Bill does not contain them, it will fail, and "the position will be worse than it was before." If the Bill is to succeed, it must do the following things: It must ensure the absolute safety of Imperial interests. It must be so generous and attractive, must include such guarantees of national peace, security, and industrial progress, that Unionist Ulster will not be able to afford to stay outside the Home Rule scheme for more than a few years. It must convince the rest of Ireland that Ulster's voluntary inclusion will follow temporary partition as surely as the night follows the day. We shall be able to form some opinion of the Government's prospects of success in this truly Herculean task when we have before us, for instance, its definite proposals for the safeguarding of Southern Unionists from the dangers of temporary partition and from the hopeless fate of permanent partition. Southern Unionist interests were virtually ignored in last year's negotiations. If that blunder is now repeated, the Government's scheme is foredoomed to failure.

We gather that the Nationalist Party is prepared once more to accept the risk of supporting a plan of temporary partition. Its official organ will look benevolently on "a workable measure containing within it the elements and the promise of finality." The party will be taking its life in its hands, for a second failure to commend partition to the country would sweep it out of existence. Its first interest, therefore, is the conciliation of all the classes which are opposed either to temporary partition or to any change in the present system of Irish government. In his recent letter to *The Times* the Archbishop of Dublin suggested that Irish Unionists might be willing to confer with Nationalists on the basis of certain necessary assurances. The most important of these must be a pledge, confirmed by immediate action, that Nationalists will abandon the old policy of resenting Imperial supremacy and embarrassing Imperial interests. We thought—and were glad to be able to think—that signs of such a conversion were visible in Mr. Devlin's excellent speech on the Government's motion of congratulation to the Duma. It seems that we were too hopeful. Mr. Devlin is not the Nationalist leader. Mr. Dillon has assumed that office, and he has now hastened to destroy the good effect of Mr. Devlin's speech. To-day we print the letter which Mr. Dillon has addressed to the Russian people through the medium of the *Bourse Gazette*. He compares the alleged oppressions and corruptions of British government in Ireland with the proved oppressions and corruptions of the now dethroned reactionaries in Russia. Russia had "a hateful bureaucracy and a vile police system." "We, too, have suffered, and are suffering, under a bureaucracy and police rule." Russia's uprising against its bureaucracy and police was, as Mr. Dillon says truly, "magnificent." Can any Russian, or any citizen of any other Allied country, be blamed if he infers, in his ignorance, that Mr. Dillon thinks that the Irish rebellion was also "a magnificent uprising of the people"? This letter may do immense harm among the more hot-blooded revolutionaries in Russia, and may, therefore, do direct injury to those Imperial interests which all Irish Unionists have so nearly at heart. Yet Mr. Dillon is the real leader of the party which must conciliate Unionist Ireland if the Government's hope of an early settlement is to be fulfilled. How can Irish Unionists confer with this man or with the men who tolerate his leadership? If we are to have change in Ireland, it must begin, like the great changes in Russia, with a compulsory abdication.

Rates and Poverty.

The Dublin Trades Council represents, we suppose, that class in the municipal electorate on whose suffrages the members of the Dublin Corporation chiefly depend. Yesterday the mind of this class on the subject of municipal expenditure was revealed. A deputation from the Trades Council to the Corporation followed deputations from bodies representing Dublin business interests. The latter had urged on the Corporation the extreme desirability of municipal economy, so that trade and industry in the city should not be hampered and oppressed by high rates. The leader of the Trades Council deputation declared that his mission was directly the opposite. "If the Municipal Council adopted the suggestion made by the Citizens' Association, there would be no employment given by the Corporation to the working-men of the city. If employment were not given, there would be bread riots in Dublin very soon." The Lord Mayor, following, made a desperate effort to reconcile the two views. They are irreconcilable. Let us exaggerate them to show where they lead. There is some unemployment. The Corporation gives out relief work. The charge is put on the rates. High rates drive industries away and oppress trade. Unemployment is increased. The Corporation gives out more relief work, and the story is repeated again and again. Pushed to the extreme, the process brings us to a stage at which the city's valuation is so low that it will not yield the cost of the relief work. On the other hand, keep the rates down, give the city's trade and industry every chance, and unemployment will be as low as its other economic causes will allow. It is an utter fallacy to regard the Corporation as a relief agency. The increase of the rates can only aggravate a situation which we hear represented, more wildly every day, as desperate. In talking of "bread riots" and so on, the working-men are following the example of the Lord Mayor and others who ought to have more sense of the responsibility of their positions and the gravity of the time.

Food Problems.

The case of Ireland figured largely in yesterday's debate on the food situation. Captain Bathurst was not unsympathetic with the proposal for setting up an Irish committee, under the control of the Sugar Commission, to supervise the more effective distribution of the supply. Better distribution may be secured by the Food Controller's new regulations. One which took effect yesterday forbids under penalties the mischievous practice that requires a purchaser to buy other commodities as a condition of getting sugar. That practice was a serious infliction on poor people. It did impose, however, some kind of check, and the abolition of it calls for other measures against the hoarder, whose activity is sufficiently proved by Lord Devonport's announcement that the Commission has released every week enough sugar to provide a full ration for everybody. New orders are under consideration, one of which will forbid a retailer to sell more than a fortnight's supply to any individual; while another will empower the police to inspect any house in which they suspect that more than this quantity is hoarded. If the second is not to be either vexatious or ineffective, some other check is necessary; and we are glad that Captain Bathurst has promised sympathetic consideration of a system of registration and regular purchase at particular establishments. The Government has advised farmers not to put their whole supply of potatoes on the market at once, in order that some may be available for next month. We dislike the scheme under which the price of Irish bacon and butter has been fixed considerably below that of the English produce. It has already been found necessary to revise the scale in Ireland's favour, and it would be far more equitable to let the price of Irish, as compared with English, produce find its own level according to the popular taste.

NATIONALIST PARTY MEETING.

A meeting of the Nationalist party was held at the House of Commons yesterday, Captain Donelan presiding over an attendance of about forty members. The proceedings lasted for two hours, and the meeting was then adjourned till Wednesday.

A special Whip is being despatched to members still in Ireland inviting their attendance on that day.

IMPERIAL WAR CABINET.

The Press Bureau announces the third meeting of the Imperial War Cabinet was held yesterday afternoon at 10 Downing street. The Prime Minister presided. The representatives of the Overseas Dominions and of India were present.

MACHINE GUN GUARDS.

A War Office notice published in to-night's *London Gazette* announces that the King has approved the formation of an administrative unit to be entitled the Machine Gun Guards.

THE SOLICITOR-GENERAL AND SOUTH BELFAST.

UNIONIST ASSOCIATION'S SELECTION.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Belfast Unionist Association yesterday, held under the presidency of Sir William Crawford, J.P., it was unanimously decided to demand the General Committee to select Mr. James Chambers for re-election as the party representative of the constituency on his appointment as Solicitor-General for Ireland. The official report added:—The meeting also considered a statement to the effect that Mr. Chambers's appointment had been made without the approval of the Irish Unionist Party, and over the head of Mr. Wm. Moore, K.C., M.P., and was authoritatively ascertained that there was no foundation for this statement, and that, on the contrary, the appointment had the full approval of the heads of the Irish Unionist Party.

In reply to a deputation from the South Belfast Temperance Workers' Association yesterday, Mr. Chambers expressed his intention to vote for the total prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages during the period of the war, and said that he regarded prohibition as being an absolutely necessary measure to safeguard the food supplies of the country, and effectively prosecute the war to a successful issue.

THE TOWNSHIP OF HOWTH.

An Order, bearing date 22nd March, 1917, has been made by the Local Government Board for Ireland, adopting the provisions of the Act of 1854 with regard to Howth, and declaring that the Act is to be brought into force on the 1st October, 1917. The Order fixes the number of Commissioners to be elected for carrying the provisions of the Act into execution at twelve, and of these Commissioners three shall be elected to represent each of four wards, of which the boundaries have been officially approved. No. 1 (or West) Ward consists of the townlands of Lower Kilbarrack and Burrow. No. 2 Ward, which may be called the Sutton Ward, comprises Sutton North and South, Censure, Quarry, and Howth Demesne. No. 3 (or East) Ward takes in the greater part of the Hill of Howth from Balscaddon to Glenaveena, and including the Baily district. No. 4 (or Harbour) Ward embraces the town of Howth, with the immediate surroundings of Nashville and Dungrifan. The population of the district is over 3,200, with a valuation of £16,000.

THE SHORTAGE OF PAPER.

An interview took place yesterday in London between representatives of the newspapers and the President of the Board of Trade with regard to the paper shortage. It was decided that a return of stocks of paper and pulp held by the manufacturers should be obtained. The President of the Board of Trade said it appeared to be the unanimous wish of the deputation that, unless there was a paper famine, there was no necessity to alter the existing system or interfere with stocks. He would give his final decision next week. It was understood that an Order would shortly be issued prohibiting newspapers and other periodicals from selling on "sale or return" terms.

WATER COLOUR SOCIETY OF IRELAND.

ART UNION DRAWING.

The drawing for prizes in connection with the Society's annual exhibition took place on Thursday last, and was conducted by Messrs. W. George Strickland, E. Teinnison Collins, and W. H. Hillyard, members of the Art Union Committee. The following is the result of the drawing:—First prize, £5, Mrs. Pallin, 12 Fitzwilliam street; second, £4, G. Armstrong, G.N. Railway; third, £4, Miss Haslett, 65 Lower Leeson street; fourth, £3, A. W. Montgomery, 13 Molesworth street; fifth, £3, Charles Harden, Orchardton, Dundrum; sixth, £2, Miss Henrietta Lynch, 61 Merrion square; seventh, £2, P. H. Stewart, 50 Grosvenor road; eighth, £2, T. J. Lawlor, 46 Drumcondra road.

OBITUARY.

VERY REV. E. B. O'LAVERTY.

The death occurred yesterday morning at the Presbytery, Limerick, of the Very Rev. Edward B. O'Laverty, C.SS.R., Rector of the Redemptorist Community. The deceased clergyman was a native of Donegal, and was in his seventy-second year. He joined the Order in 1872, and was Rector in Clapham, and afterwards in Belfast and in Limerick.

The death occurred at Cardiff yesterday of Mr. D. Watkin Thomas, Director and General Manager of the *Western Mail*, Ltd.

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
FRIDAY NIGHT.

It can be stated on the best authority that the Cabinet have not yet even begun to put into shape the proposals which will constitute their new attempt to secure a settlement of the Home Rule question. In view of recent failures and obvious difficulties, the matter calls for a good deal of examination and consideration, and these can only be given in such brief intervals as it is possible to snatch from the even more pressing business, in all its branches, of carrying on the war. In the circumstances Mr. Lloyd George and his colleagues hope that there will be no undue eagerness to press them for a decision. Among M.P.'s generally who talked over the situation in the Lobby to-day the question most actively canvassed was—will the Nationalists accept the coming proposals? Rumour has it that they are to-day in a somewhat less uncompromising mood than when they marched out of the House on the 7th inst. with refusal on their lips.

One suggestion is that an influential body may be set up to make alterations in the Home Rule Act as it at present stands, in order that the Act might be presented to Ireland as a ready and immediate method of settlement. Such alterations, however, would have to be submitted, first, to the House of Commons, and then to the House of Lords, for the text of an Act lying under the shade of the Parliament Act must not be altered without the consent of both Houses.

In order to expedite business before the Easter holidays, the House of Commons held another Friday sitting, when the Civil Service Estimates came under review. The opportunity was taken for a general discussion on the food question. Considerable anxiety was shown as to the efficacy of the proposals of the Food Controller to secure a more even distribution in regard to the more essential necessaries such as coal and sugar. Mr. J. M. Henderson pictured the coal problem, as befitted the subject, in the blackest colours, and he gave the House an instance of a Cabinet Minister's having to send his own motor-car to fetch a sack of coal. Of course there were cries of "Name," but the right hon. gentleman declined to identify the eminent personage who had been reduced to such straits. Mr. John O'Connor volunteered the information that he had been without coal for a fortnight owing to the impossibility of getting supplies. He hoped that the Government would hasten to fulfil their promise to provide railway facilities for the development of the Irish collieries. Mr. G. Roberts, who replied for the Coal Controller, promised tangible results within a few weeks.

The House then passed to the question of sugar. In regard to this commodity Mr. Lundon hoped that special attention would be paid to the necessities of Ireland, and Captain Bathurst, in the course of a statement very similar to that made by Lord Devonport in the House of Lords on Thursday, indicated that the Food Controller would not be unsympathetic with a proposal for setting up an Irish committee under the control of the Sugar Commission to supervise the distribution of supplies in that country. He assured the House that Irish interests in this and other respects would be carefully watched, and in her own interests Great Britain was not likely to discourage food production in Ireland.

The latest sugar decisions are likely to provoke a great amount of opposition, and already a number of questions appear on the Order Paper of the House of Commons. One asks what will be the position of people who, by reason of receiving a monthly wage, get in a supply of stores for that period. Another asks what will be the position of people who, while keeping within the sugar ration, save a small amount each week for the purpose of making jam later in the year. This is by no means uncommon, for many people, having given up taking sugar with tea, are saving what they can for preserving purposes. The saved sugar is by no means out of the three-quarters of a pound supposed to be allowed to everybody, for that quantity is out of the question for most people. A family of four about which I can speak from experience have been able to get only half the quantity for many months past.

Mr. Macpherson, in a written answer to a Parliamentary question to-day, makes it perfectly clear that the Germans poisoned the wells at Barleux, three miles south-west of Péronne, with arsenic. An official report to this effect has been received. It is understood that the same kind of thing has been done at other places during the German retreat, and water-carts have to be sent with each of the columns advancing over the redeemed ground. In fact, there now remains no doubt that the retreat is being conducted in full accord with the methods of official *kultur*. Letters are now arriving giving details of the wicked and wanton damage done by the German soldiery at the command of their officers. Once the order goes forth to destroy nothing is spared. What thing cannot be broken it is spoiled in some other way. Costly mantel-pieces, for instance, have been blown up with explosives after resisting attacks with hammers and axes. China, whenever it was found, was simply thrown with violence on the floor.

Representatives of Irish creameries have been much in evidence at Tooley street during the last couple of days in regard to the fixing of the *maximum* price of Irish creamery butter at 0s. *per* cwt. below the *maximum* fixed for Danish and New Zealand butter, and they have succeeded in gaining a very considerable concession. While the *maximum* figures now fixed by the Home and Foreign Produce Exchange, subject to the sanction of Lord Devonport, for the next three weeks are the same as those fixed a fortnight ago—viz., 224s. *per* cwt. for Danish and New Zealand, and 218s. *per* cwt. for Irish creameries—the last-named figure is f.o.b., instead of landed terms as heretofore. That is to say, the price is to be the *maximum* when the butter is placed on board ship at an Irish port, and not as landed in Great Britain. This concession seems to meet the case to a very large extent. The price of Irish factory butter is not fixed. The prices for that will adjust themselves in accordance with the quotation for creameries.

After the House rose to-day Mr. T. Lundon, M.P., saw Captain Bathurst, of the Food Controller's Department, and the latter asked him to name someone who would co-operate with Lord Devonport on the British side of the Channel in regard to future fixings of the price of butter and bacon. Mr. Lundon suggested, I believe, the name of Mr. Fitzgerald, of Snow Hill—an admirable selection. Captain Bathurst suggested that five or six of the Irish M.P.'s should constitute a committee to deal with all complaints with regard to the distribution of sugar in Ireland, and keep in touch constantly with him. This course will probably be adopted. In the case of bacon, as to which a complaint has been made that the price of Irish was fixed at 10s. *per* cwt. below that in Great Britain, Lord Devonport is understood to have sent word to the Home and Foreign Produce Exchange that he thought the difference should not be more than 5s. *per* cwt., and that he would not sanction more than 7s. *per* cwt. difference. The committee of five or six referred to will deal with complaints as to the prices of Irish bacon and butter, as well as sugar. It is intended to put two members of Parliament on the Sugar Commission, and the Irish members will ask that at least one of them shall be Irish.

The French weekly shipping return is as follows:—Arrivals of merchantmen of all nationalities exceeding 100 tons net, including fishing vessels, 920; departures, 914. French merchant vessels of 1,600 tons gross and over sunk by submarines or mines, 6; under 1,600 tons, 6. French merchant vessels unsuccessfully attacked by submarines, 3. French fishing vessels sunk, 15.

THE TILLAGE SCHEME.

OPERATIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

The Department of Agriculture continues to receive reports from all parts of the country as to the progress of tillage:—

Co. Londonderry—In some districts of this county lands are being broken up for tillage this year which have been continuously in grass within the memory of the oldest inhabitants of the districts.

Co. Longford—At present the work of tillage is well forward. Many landholders previously quite unaccustomed to manual labour have been following the plough for weeks. In the poor bog districts, where horses are scarce, some of the farmers are ploughing with teams of donkeys.

Co. Louth—If the weather is favourable for the next ten days or fortnight, most of the sacred rights of peoples to free government are looking to Russia with heartfelt congratulations and prayers for her success in the new path in which she has entered. The Irish have always loved the Russian people and hated the Russian Government. We have been the better able to appreciate their suffering because we, too, have suffered, and are suffering, under a bureaucracy and police rule. To the new Russia the Irish nation sends its heartfelt sympathy and admiration. To Ireland the fall of the Russian bureaucracy and the emancipation of the Russ

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FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE (PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

FACING THE FOOD PROBLEM.

For the first time since the Crimean War, says *The Times*, the price of bread in this country is to be raised to a shilling for a four-pound loaf. We are not sure that the reasons assigned for the increase are quite convincing, but the higher price will, at least, make the public more careful about the consumption of bread. The country has been led to concentrate its attention upon meatless days and potatoless days, and up to now has paid very insufficient attention to the even more pressing question of bread. Meatless days are necessary enough, but a great deal more might be done to induce economy in bread consumption. If it is necessary to prescribe the number of ounces of meat which may be consumed at a meal in a hotel, as undoubtedly it is, why not rigidly limit the bread also? We hear much about gluttony at meat meals in restaurants, but nothing about the bread and cake and pastry eaten in teashops. The teashop requires scrutiny just as much as the restaurant. One great cause of excessive consumption is that many housewives have not yet understood that Lord Devonport's ration includes both bread and flour. With regard to the suggested police domiciliary visits where food is suspected to be hoarded, *The Times* says that the suggested Order touches every household in the land, and might easily become a cause of widespread irritation. It would also conceivably be capable of serious abuse.

THE REFERENDUM FOR IRELAND.

"M.A., Dublin," writes to *The Times* from Dublin to suggest the use of the *referendum* in Ireland as a safeguard against the "machine." —For this purpose the four provinces should be taken as units, and on a petition signed by a certain proportion of the electors in any province any new Act of the Irish Parliament should be referred to them, and should not apply to that province unless endorsed by such proportion of its electors as may be agreed upon. A further safeguard, *e.g.*, for Belfast, must be found in the principle of "Municipal Home Rule," as developed of late years in certain American States. "Safeguards of this democratic type would, in my opinion, be more effective than those imposed from above and outside by the existing Government of Ireland Act, and would certainly be far less wounding to national sentiment. Nor is it likely that the *referendum* would be much used. The mere possibility of an appeal to it would act as a restraint upon the Legislature, and the expense of setting its machinery in motion would prevent its facile abuse. This, it would seem, has been the experience in those American States in which it has been adopted."

THE ULSTER POSITION.

Ulster, writes Mr. John Reid, of Belfast, in *The Times*, has already made great sacrifices—she will make no more. Under these circumstances, it appears to me that a much more pertinent question than "What is Ulster going to do?" would be "What are the Nationalists going to do?" Concessions, you are well aware, they have made none. The result is an *impasse*, but Ulster was not the originator of the trouble. All she wants is to be let alone. The fact is that the wise and far-seeing policy of Pitt holds the field—maintain the Union. Divided and, as I believe, permanently divided as Ireland is by race, religion, and tradition, no other policy is possible. To attempt to settle the question satisfactorily by any other means is to endeavour to solve the insoluble.

NATIONAL SERVICE.

CONDITIONS OF ENROLMENT.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Director of National Service, has issued the following letter to the Press:—

March 23rd.

SIR,—As National Service Week begins to-morrow, I should like to be allowed to make public a short statement in order to clear away some misunderstandings which appear still to exist with regard to the conditions of the appeal for volunteers:—

(1) The object of the general appeal for volunteers is to form a register of willing workers. The request is for men to sign a voluntary offer of service, so that they may be asked to undertake work of national importance if they are wanted, and when they are wanted.

(2) After signing a form, the volunteer is asked to continue his present work until he is called up. It should specially be noted that he must not give up his job and expect to be immediately used as a volunteer.

(3) Everyone is asked to enrol, because the men of military age who are required for the Army are of all types and belong to all trades and industries, and the men who are asked to take their places must be of equal variety.

(4) The signing of the enrolment form imposes on the volunteer a moral obligation to keep his promise; it does not involve him in any legal consequence.

(5) If a volunteer is asked to undertake work at less pay than he is at present earning, this will give him a right of appeal. Even if the Appeal Tribunal should hold him to his undertaking, no penalty will be visited upon him if he refuses to conform to its decision, but he will have to settle with his conscience whether he is performing the duty which he owes to his country. It is the intention of the Department that the volunteers shall be so placed that they shall have the *minimum* of inconvenience and the *maximum* of pay for the work which they are asked to undertake.

(6) The *minimum* wage of 25s. a week was fixed so that men should not be asked to work at the low rate of wages prevailing in some agricultural districts. It has already been followed by an announcement by the Prime Minister that the *minimum* wage for agricultural labour is to be raised to 25s. in all districts by legislation. It should be clearly understood that the volunteer will be paid the same rate as the man working next to him on the same work, but in no case less than 25s. a week.

(7) If a volunteer is asked to move from his home, which he has to continue to maintain, he is entitled to claim subsistence allowance up to 17s. 6d. a week.

(8) If a volunteer who has been placed in work of national importance is then thrown out of work through no fault of his, he is entitled to claim an out-of-work allowance of 3s. 6d. a day from the first day he is out of work.

(9) A National Service volunteer, if out of work, can be engaged by an employer in a restricted occupation without a permit from the Department, the only permit necessary being his volunteer's card.

(10) All skilled tradesmen who are entitled to enrol as war munition volunteers are advised to do so, as they gain certain advantages thereby.

(11) The Government have introduced this system of voluntary National Service in the hope of avoiding any necessity for a compulsory scheme.

(12) Should a compulsory scheme be introduced, the volunteer's undertaking will be automatically cancelled the day the compulsory scheme becomes law, and all men will be placed on the same footing.

(13) If a volunteer wishes to appeal regarding his transfer, he can do so to the Sub-Commissioner, who has the power immediately to grant the appeal if he considers it reasonable. If he is not satisfied that the grounds of the appeal are justified, he is bound to permit the volunteer to present his case to an Appeal Tribunal, consisting of the Sub-Commissioner and two representatives of employers and two of employés nominated locally and appointed by the Director-General.

I think that these statements cover the majority of the questions which have been raised recently with me, and I hope that they will assist the local Recruiting Committees, which have been working so hard to secure the success of the scheme.

GERMAN JOURNAL AND "RICH CAROUSERS."

The *Koelnische Volkszeitung* publishes an appeal for a sixth War Loan. Bitter complaint is made of people who are blind to the importance of the present times. The journal protests how it is possible that men and women in society shrink from sitting in the same train compartment with "Field Greys," who still bear the honourable life of the trenches, and of the homeworks in their clothes. "How is it possible for rich carousers to feast at comparatively well-supplied tables while hollow-cheeked, underfed children beg before their doors?" They simply do not see, adds the journal, the bitterness and wrath which stare at them from the eyes of despised "Field Greys," begging children, and sorrowing widows and orphans.

The *London Gazette* announces that the King has appointed Mr. Francis Alexander Newdigate to be Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George on appointment as Governor of Tasmania.

BRITISH MAKE MORE PROGRESS.

FIGHTING AT SEVERAL POINTS.

ENEMY ATTACK AT ST. SIMON.

British patrols had encounters with hostile detachments at various points of the line of advance. There were also counter-attacks by the enemy. In all cases our positions were maintained, and we took prisoners.

Our troops made further progress in the region of Ecoust and Croisilles. They also carried out a successful raid east of Arras.

The Paris afternoon report mentions an attack by the enemy north of St. Simon. At first the French were slightly driven back, but, counter-attacking vigorously, they succeeded in throwing back the enemy. North of Soissons the French also made some progress.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

Friday, 8.40 p.m.—In the area of our advance encounters between our patrols and hostile detachments of some strength have taken place at a number of points along the general line, Etreillers, Beaumetz-Lez-Cambrai, Beaurains. During the day many counter-attacks near Aizecourt le Bas, Beaumetz, and Vraucourt, were driven off after fighting. Our positions were maintained, and we took a few prisoners.

Our troops have made further progress in the neighbourhood of Ecoust and Croiselles. We carried out a successful raid this morning east of Arras. The enemy blew a large mine last night north of Neuville St. Vaast. No damage is reported.

Our artillery bombarded the enemy's trenches south-east of Loos and east of Vermelles with good effect.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Friday.—To the north of St. Simon the enemy started yesterday at the close of the day a violent attack on our positions above the village of Artemps. Slightly pushed back at first, our troops immediately counter-attacked with vigour, and succeeded in driving back the enemy as far as Grand Seraucourt.

The artillery duel has been rather lively between the Somme and the Oise. To the south of the Oise fresh detachments have crossed the Ailette. There was an intermittent cannonade in this region. To the north of Soissons we have made further progress.

It is confirmed that the attacks directed by the enemy on the Vregny Chivres front were extremely violent. At one point alone the Germans flung an entire regiment against our troops. Two of our light infantry companies were cut off from the main body, but succeeded in extricating themselves after a fierce fight, and brought back some prisoners. The losses suffered by the enemy in these fruitless attempts were very heavy.

Several surprise attacks to the north-west of Rheims, near Maison de Champagne and Avre Wood, and in the region of St. Mihiel, failed under our fire.

Aviation.—During the daytime of yesterday a scouting Albatross was brought down in our lines in the region of Vezelise.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

Friday.—In consequence of several thrusts by our own and enemy reconnoitring detachments, artillery activity on the Flanders front and in the Artois sector has temporarily increased. A number of prisoners remained in our hands. French troops who, on both sides of St. Simon, had crossed the Somme and Crozat Canal, were thrown back by our attacks against and across these sectors. The enemy suffered sanguinary losses, and lost 230 prisoners and several machine guns and vehicles.

Between the Oise and the Aisne engagements developed during the evening hours to the west and south of Margival. Attacks made by strong French forces were repulsed with severe losses, which were caused by our fire and during a counter-attack.

Our artillery outside this battlefield found worthy objects for its attention in collections of troops and troop movements.

At the Wood of La Ville-Aux-Bois a French attack, which was about to develop after strong fire, failed. Near Waltroville, in the Champagne lowlands, one of our enterprises resulted in the capture of 12 prisoners and two machine guns.

THE EASTERN FRONT.

Russian Official.—In the direction of Riga, on the River Beresina, and in the region of the village of Zabaresina, we regained the trenches taken yesterday by the enemy.

Rumanian Front.—In the direction of Trailov our detachments drove out the enemy from the stations of Bedeni and Hult. German aeroplanes have dropped bombs on Galatz.

Caucasian Front.—In the direction of Pentgevin our troops joined in combat with the Turks occupying the southern banks of the River Thirban.

German Official.—Eastern Theatre of War.—There has been no big fighting.

Turkish Official.—Tigris Front.—The situation is unchanged, and there have been no important events on the Sinai front.

Caucasus Front.—There have been no noteworthy events, but only patrol engagements on the right wing.

In Galicia the Russians caused three mine explosions before the front of our troops, without doing any damage to our position. On the contrary, their own positions were destroyed by the negative effect of these mines.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

COMING BIG INVASION.

Commenting on the rumours to the effect that the Central Empires have been contemplating an invasion of Italy—the only Allied country fighting on enemy soil—in the hope that this might offer a less effective resistance than France has offered at Verdun, and with an eye on the moral effect which invasion would produce, the military critic of the *Corriere Della Sera* says Austria has massed about forty divisions on the Italian front, but it is impossible yet to say how many Germany could add out of her 240 divisions available. The supreme command of the Italian Army has made every preparation for the threatened emergency, but the view is expressed in the newspapers that should all the enemy's reserves be massed against Italy, it is imperative, in their interests, that the reserves of Italy's Allies should be massed in her defence.

THE CHURCHES AND THE DRINK TRAFFIC.

At a recent joint meeting of the Executives of the Committees on Co-operation of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland and the General Assembly of the Irish Presbyterian Church the following resolutions were passed:—

1. That the Joint Executive Committee of the Committees on Co-operation of the Churches in Ireland and of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland express their great disappointment that the Government has, so far as is known, taken no steps to comply with the demand for the extension to Ireland of the operations of the Board of Control (Liquor Traffic).

2. The Committee, understanding that the Government have under consideration important proposals for dealing with the traffic in intoxicating liquor, claim that whatever legislation is enacted in this matter shall include Ireland, as the Committee are convinced that it would be a grievous wrong to this country to deprive it of the benefits of such legislation.

In accordance with instructions from the Committee, the Convener, the Revs. Canon H. B. Kennedy, B.D., and Dr. Denham Osborne, forwarded these resolutions to the Prime Minister, the Secretary of State for War, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, the Chief Secretary, the Minister of Munitions, the Chairman of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic), Sir John B. Lonsdale, Bart., M.P.; John Redmond, Esq., M.P.

Among the acknowledgments received was a letter from Sir John B. Lonsdale, Chairman of the Irish Unionist Party, stating that the letter and resolutions of the Joint Executive Committee had been brought before the meeting of the Irish Unionist members, and that the following resolution had been unanimously passed:—

That the Irish Unionist Parliamentary Party agrees to support any measure for the restriction of the liquor traffic introduced by the Government, and is strongly of opinion that all such legislation should be made applicable to the whole of the United Kingdom.

ABNORMAL PRICE OF MUTTON IN DUBLIN.

Sheep reached the abnormal price of £7 7s. at the latest Dublin market, and there is a general feeling among the victualling trade that unless steps are promptly taken to control the supply and fix prices a serious situation will be created. Victuallers state that they are willing to co-operate with the authorities in regard to the matter. There was a marked rise in the retail price of mutton yesterday, and it is feared that there may be a further advance unless the action is taken. A prominent trader stated that purchasers from the West of Ireland were not coming to Dublin for sheep, and that several traders were going to suggest to the Food Controller that action should be taken to ease the trouble that, action should be taken to ease the excitement at present prevailing on the market.

WAR FEVER IN AMERICA.

SUGGESTED FORCE FOR FRANCE.

IMMEDIATE ACTION CALLED FOR.

PROPOSED MONETARY HELP FOR ALLIES.

A Reuter's New York telegram, dated Friday, says:—

Senator Root presided at a mass meeting which was held in Madison square Gardens yesterday evening under the auspices of over forty patriotic civil organisations. The audience, numbering some 13,000 people, pledged itself to support President Wilson, and urged that there should be no more delay on the part of the United States in entering the war.

Mr. Root declared that the time had come for the country to act irrespective of party and partisanship. (Crowds cheered and waved flags at this statement.)

Mr. Root, after declaring that if the Allies were not victorious there would be no peace or safety for free democracies, said every American—every true American heart—should respond with joy, in spite of sorrow, to the feeling that if we enter the war to do our part towards bringing about victory, which is so important to us, we shall be fighting over again the battle of American democracy, of the democracy of England, of the democracy of France, and of the democracy of Italy, and now, God be praised, of the great democracy of Russia.

Mr. Hibben, President of Princetown University, said:—I am here as a pacifist. I believe in peace as any price, and the price at the present time is war. Let us recognise our enemy. We have been a long time finding him out, but we know him now. I hope the day will come when the stars and stripes will be seen somewhere along Von Hindenburg's line in France.

Ex-President Roosevelt sent a letter urging instant and effective action.

Mr. Fairchild, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, said:—We must help. What an hour would be that when a great division of patriotic soldiers from our land marched up to that long battle-line in France, under the Stars and Stripes, greeted by "Britannia Rules the Waves" and the "Marseillaise," and answering with "The Star-Spangled Banner," led by that ex-President of ours whose name you know so well. Such another would be the hour when over the Pacific another great division marched to the front in Russia, sent by the oldest to the youngest democracy to help to save both from the dreadful foe of all democracies.

A resolution was passed calling upon Congress, as soon as it has assembled, to declare that a state of war exists.

BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE ALLIES.

AMERICAN PRESS SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL.

Prominent American newspapers, as well as prominent bankers, are rallying to the support of the suggestion of the Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, that the United States should extend the Allies a credit of at least a billion dollars. The *Sun's* Washington correspondent states that President Wilson has actually decided to ask Congress to authorise such financial aid, and adds:—It is possible that instead of notifying Congress of his wishes in this regard at the opening of the joint session he will address a separate communication to both Houses a few days after the special session has been convened.

The *Tribune*, in a leading article, says:—We can best bring the Germans to terms by working in combination with the *Entente* Powers, and the way in which we can help most in the immediate future is to relieve somewhat the enormous financial pressure under which they are labouring. We can harm Germany immensely by putting our financial resources at the disposition of the Allies. A billion dollars is a small sum to advance under the circumstances. The Allied cause is our cause, and we should not hesitate to show our willingness to do everything in our power to crush the enemy of mankind. Let us give our credit without stint—one billion, two billions, or three billions—the more we give the higher our self-respect will rise, and we shall feel that we are at least doing something of consequence from the start by using our wealth while preparing to train ourselves in arms for the battle of civilisation.

The *World*, in a leading article, goes so far as to advocate outright a gift of a billion dollars to France in token of her sacrifices and woe, and concludes with an exhortation to extend practically unlimited credit to the *Entente*.

MOEWE'S CAPTURES.

22 STEAMERS AND FIVE SAILING VESSELS.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

AMSTERDAM, FRIDAY.

A Berlin official telegram says—His Majesty's auxiliary cruiser Moewe (Commander Count Dohna Schlodien) has returned to a home port from a second cruise of several months in the Atlantic. The vessel made prizes twenty-two steamers and five sailing vessels, having a total tonnage of 123,100 gross register. Twenty-one of these ships belonged to enemy countries. Eight of them were armed, five were in the service of the British Admiralty, and four were enemy sailing vessels. The Moewe brought back to Germany 593 prisoners, in addition to 469 brought by the prize Yarrowdale, which reached a German harbour on December 31, 1916. The names of the ships which the Moewe made prizes are as follows:—

The British steamers Voltaire, Mount Temple, King George, Cambrian Range, Georgic, Yarrowdale, St. Theodore, Dramatist, Radnorshire, Mimieh, Netherby Hall, Brecknockshire, French Prince, Eddie, Katherine, Rhodante, Esmeraldas, Otaki, Demeterton, Governor; the French sailing vessels Nantes and Asnières; the Norwegian sailing vessel Staut.

Of the vessels stopped, the Hudson Maru reached Pernambuco on March 16, with the crews of the steamers Dramatist, Radnorshire, Minish, Netherby Hall, Nantes, and Asnières.

The remaining vessels—*i.e.*, all but the Hudson Maru—were sunk.

ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Secretary of the Admiralty makes the following announcement:—

Following upon the reported return of the raider Moewe, information circulated in German Wireless Press messages shows that, in addition to the ships announced as having been sunk or captured by the Moewe in the *communiqué* of January 17 last, the following vessels have also been sunk:—

The British steamers French Prince, Eddie, Brecknockshire, Rhodante, Katherine, Esmeraldas, Otaki, Demeterton, Governor; the sailing vessels Jean and Staut (Norwegian).

Further, it appears that the St. Theodore, whose fate was in doubt, has been sunk.

Of the above-mentioned ships, some have been uninsurable during the past few weeks, but others had only recently sailed.

The Press Association adds the following particulars regarding the vessels mentioned in the list:—The French Prince was owned by the Prince Line, and was of 4,766 tons gross. There are two vessels named Eddie, but the one sunk is probably the Eddie, of Whitby, 2,652 tons. The R.M.S.P. Company's Brecknockshire was a new vessel of 8,422 tons. The Rhodante, 3,061 tons, was owned in London. In regard to the Katherine, there are two vessels of that name.

REMEDY FOR INCREASED FOOD PRICES.

The second and third reports of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to investigate the principal causes leading to the increased prices of commodities since the beginning of the war were issued yesterday. With a view to ameliorating the situation arising from raised prices of bread, flour, and meal, and by the shortage of shipping and increased ocean freight rates, the Committee makes the following recommendations:—Since the sharp rise in the price of home-grown wheat supplies will probably continue, in the absence of prompt Government action, we recommend that the Government should immediately fix such maximum price to the producer for marketable home-grown wheat as will protect the public while securing the farmer a reasonable profit. Simultaneously with this measure fair contract prices at which farmers should be asked to grow wheat and oats for the Government be fixed and published; that maximum prices of wheat be immediately fixed; that the Government should control the import of maize; that the Government of India should induce the cultivation of as large as possible an area of wheat; that the Egyptian Government should adopt a similar policy; that the British mercantile marine be further controlled by the Government favouring the carriage of foodstuffs at fair rates. Finally, the Committee urge the Government to remedy the waste of tonnage occurring through congestion in certain Allied ports.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED.

SUNK IN MEDITERRANEAN.

296 LIVES LOST.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

PARIS, FRIDAY.

The Ministry of Marine announces that the French battleship Danton was torpedoed by a hostile submarine on March 19th in the Mediterranean.

The vessel was struck by two torpedoes, and sank in thirty minutes.

Eight hundred and six men were saved by the escorting destroyer Massue, and patrol vessels arrived on the scene at the distress signal.

The number of lost is 296.

The submarine, whose periscope was seen some minutes after the torpedoing, was attacked with bombs from the Massue, but immediately disappeared, and was not seen again.

THE SUBMARINE WAR.

LATEST AMERICAN VICTIM.

A Reuter's Ymuiden telegram, dated Thursday, says the steam trawler Java has arrived there with 13 men of the shipwrecked crew of the American steamer Healdton. The survivors state that the Healdton was shot at and set on fire without warning by the German submarine within the so-called safe zone. Of the crew of forty-one probably nineteen have been drowned owing to a boat capsizing. Two other men who jumped into the water were also drowned.

A telegram from Rotterdam to the *Telegraaf* states the Healdton was on a voyage from Philadelphia to Rotterdam *via* Bergen, with a cargo of six thousand tons of petroleum.

The captain is among the survivors of the Healdton. The submarine attacked the vessel at 8.15 p.m. on Wednesday. At that time she was showing her lights quite plainly. She bore between her masts the words, "Healdton. New York."

The Healdton was unarmed. The captain's name is Christopher, and he comes from Brooklyn. The number of survivors so far brought to Ymuiden is 13, consisting of the following:—Captain Christopher, Chief Engineer Coldwell, from New York; Assistant Engineer Embry, from New Orleans; seven men from Philadelphia, and one Russian, one Dutchman, and one Norwegian. The ship's papers were lost when the vessel was torpedoed.

As further reports are not yet available from Terschelling, the names of the 20 men who have been lost cannot be given. According to the captain's declaration, there are at least six or seven American-born among the lost.

(LATER.)

According to a telegram from Ymuiden, the steam trawler Ocean IV. has brought in a ship's boat belonging to the Healdton. It had capsized with twenty men, but had been righted by the sole survivor, a Norwegian, who sustained some injuries, and whose arms and legs were badly frozen. He has been taken to a Red Cross hospital.

MAY LEAD TO WAR.

The *Handelsblad* (Amsterdam) expresses the opinion that the torpedoing of the American steamer Healdton will result in war between Germany and the United States, and remarks that Germany has not waited for an encounter between an armed American ship and a submarine, which, in the eyes of some Americans, might have shifted the blame partly on to the United States.

The *Nieuws van den Dag* says:—If the torpedoing of the Healdton leads to war the responsibility will lie with Germany and not with the United States.

SINKING OF THE STEAMER ILLINOIS.

Thirty-four survivors of the American steamer Illinois (16 of whom are Americans and the remainder Swedes and Spaniards), bound from London to Port Arthur, Texas, in ballast, which was sunk in the Channel a few days ago, were landed yesterday morning.

The skipper, Hjal Everson, made the following statement:—We sailed from London on March 16 for Port Arthur, in ballast, at 7.45 a.m. On the 18th we sighted a submarine bearing down upon us from the south-west, and distant, approximately, three miles. The submarine submerged, and approached about ten minutes later, being then distant from us about two miles. She opened fire on us immediately after backing for two minutes. Our vessel was stopped by the engineer on the watch. The first shot went over the accrd and the second one brought it down. Firing continued rapidly till the boats were well clear of the ship's side. When the shooting ceased, the submarine then came alongside the lifeboats, and ordered No. 1 boat to come alongside.

The commander ordered five of our men aboard his boat and transferred five of his crew to the lifeboat, which was then pulled to the Illinois. The Germans then placed seven minute-bombs along the ship and in the engine room, which exploded in due course. Our five men were taken off the submarine, and I asked the commander if he would tow us towards land. He replied, "I have no time." We then proceeded under sail and oars, and were picked up and taken in tow by two motor boats who had observed us and came to our assistance.

The submarine commander took no measures for the safety of the crew, and continued shelling until they were in their boats. The Illinois did not try to escape or to resist. One man was injured by shell fire. The submarine had no flag showing when first observed. It was half an hour after the shelling when the crew reached Havre. The crew on landing proceeded to London.

THE POPE AND THE WAR.

SOLICITUDE FOR SUFFERERS.

CARDINAL BOURNE'S TESTIMONY

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ROME, THURSDAY.

Cardinal Bourne left for France to-day, after a stay of four months in Rome. In making so prolonged a visit, His Eminence followed the example of his predecessors at Westminster, Cardinals Wiseman, Manning, and Vaughan, who, on special occasions, spent long periods at the Vatican.

Speaking of his experiences here to Reuter's correspondent, Cardinal Bourne said—The Vatican is observing an attitude of reserve and absolute impartiality, superior to a mere expression of neutrality, in that, while the latter is simply passive, the former breathes the deepest affection towards all the Pope's children, no matter on which warring side they may be. I must frankly confess that I have seen no lack of interest in the *Entente* countries on the part of the Holy See. It has always, on all occasions, shown the greatest readiness to do all in its power to lessen the horrors of war, to ameliorate the lot of prisoners of war, and to obtain better treatment for Belgium. The organisation of food relief for that unfortunate country has just been the subject of important negotiations conducted by the Vatican, in which serious difficulty was met with, chiefly because Great Britain asked that Germany should guarantee not to torpedo ships engaged in conveying relief to Belgium. The guarantee the Vatican succeeded in obtaining. Another important concession which is due to the Papal initiative is the internment in Switzerland of those men who have been prisoners of war for eighteen months who are fathers of three children. Arrangements for these measures have just been completed, and will, at first, be regarded as experimental only. The Vatican pressed an urgent claim that these prisoners should be granted complete liberty, but so far this has not been conceded. To the initiative of the Vatican and the work of Monsignor Dolci, Apostolic Delegate at Constantinople, is to be attributed the agreement between Great Britain and Turkey for the exchange of war prisoners. This has been extended to include France. Some technical difficulties must be overcome before the scheme can be put into effective working order, but it has been accepted in principle by the countries concerned. The latest reports lead the Vatican to hope that its insistence on the discontinuance of deportations from France and Belgium will be definitely accepted by Germany, and that the people who have been removed will be returned to their homes. No one is more familiar with the sufferings brought about by the war than the Vatican, which is now making arrangements to supply food to Syria and Lebanon, where the population is actually dying of starvation. The Turkish Government has given permission to Monsignor Dolci to send provisions in neutral steamers, principally in Spanish vessels. These are only some instances of the work which is being carried on by the Pope.

THE POPE'S KINDLY SOLICITUDE.

I recall, too, the kindly solicitude which prompted his sending, through me, his blessing and messages of sympathy to the British sailors when I paid a visit to them at a certain port in the South Mediterranean. The Pontiff is now taking up with equal interest the question of sending the flags of the Allies to the famous shrine of the Sacred Heart at Paray le Monial, in France, where we shall be next Monday. I myself am taking the British flag; Monsignor Deploige, a survivor of Louvain, the Belgian; Prince Ghika, brother of the Rumanian Minister here, the Rumanian; Monsignor Pini, Italian, and other prelates will take the French, Russian, and Japanese flags. We go to pray for victory for our arms, bearing our Holy Father's blessing, and with his prayers for a speedy, just, and lasting peace, which is his constant wish. In order that the Vatican should not be misunderstood, it is necessary always to bear in mind that the Pope, in his character of common father, must remain impartial, so that he may more easily act as mediator between the nations should occasion arise. He has, indeed, acted as mediator in the matters to which I have referred, and he may be able to do so still more extensively and effectively when the providential moment comes, and I trust it may not be far distant. The events in Russia have been greeted with satisfaction by the Vatican, as owing to the lack of liberty under Muscovite rule, Roman Catholicism in that Empire was one of the greatest sufferers.

Last Monday Father White, Rector of the English Catholic Church at San Silvestro, gave a farewell dinner in honour of Cardinal Bourne.

Cardinal Bourne does not expect to be in London until Easter week.

THE RUSSIAN CRISIS.

HOW THE TSAR WAS ARRESTED.

POWERS RECOGNISE NEW GOVERNMENT.

The new Government sent four Commissioners to Mohileff to execute the arrest of the Tsar, says a Reuter's Petrograd telegram. They were received by General Alexeiff, Chief of the General Staff, to whom they showed their mandate. The arrival of the Commissioners caused no excitement at Headquarters.

The ex-Tsar was already in the Imperial train, where the Dowager Empress bade him farewell. Various formalities occupied about an hour, and then the carriage of the Commissioners was connected with the Imperial train. Admiral Niloff wished to travel with the ex-Tsar, but the Commissioners refused to allow this.

During the journey the Commissioners did not see the ex-Tsar, who did not leave his carriage.

The train consisted of ten carriages, of which the fourth contained the suite, including the Court Marshal, Prince Dolgoroukoff, General Naryshkin, and the Duke of Leuchtenberg, who is aide-de-camp to the ex-Tsar. The fifth carriage contained the Imperial sleeping apartments, and the sixth the sitting and dining rooms. The Commissioners were in the last carriage. A large and silent crowd witnessed the departure of the train from Mohileff. A group of officers bade farewell to the ex-Tsar at the station.

According to one account, the ex-Tsar was informed of the arrival of the Commissioners by General Alexieff. He replied: "I am ready to go anywhere and submit to any decision."

The Commissioners had no interview with the ex-Tsar himself. The ex-Tsar was awakened at nine o'clock in the morning, when the train reached the station of Sussaino. At about ten he entered the dining saloon and invited his suite to take their morning coffee with him. He conversed with them for about an hour, and then bade farewell to them and the servants, kissing them all. The servants kissed him on the shoulder.

Addressing all present, the ex-Tsar said—"I thank you for your services. *Au revoir*. Farewell."

By that time the train was slowing down and approaching the Imperial pavilion. The ex-Tsar stepped out of the carriage calmly, looking rather haggard. He wore the "scherkeska," flowing uniform of the 6th Kuban Cossack Battalion, a black busby, a purple muffler on his shoulders, a Cossack dagger and belt, and the Order of St. George.

Accompanied by Prince Dolgoroukoff, he walked to the motor car which was waiting. The commander of the Tsarskoe Selo station met the train. None of the outside public was present.

RECOGNITION OF NEW GOVERNMENT.

A Reuter's Petrograd telegram dated Thursday says:—

The British, French, and Italian Ambassadors on Thursday conveyed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the official recognition by their Governments of the Provisional Government, and asked the Minister to fix a day for their formal reception, after Sir George Buchanan, British Ambassador, has recovered from influenza. The whole Cabinet will be present at this reception.

The American Ambassador visited the Ministry of Foreign Affairs this afternoon, and communicated the recognition of the new Government by the United States.

POLITICAL PRISONERS RELEASED.

During the release of political prisoners at Orel by a revolutionary crowd, General Grigorieff, who surrendered Kovno, escaped from the prison. Other prisoners recognised him and shouted, "Arrest the traitor." The General was reincarcerated.

One thousand seven hundred convicts at Kherson disarmed the prison guards and broke into another wing of the jail, released two hundred more prisoners. Simultaneously the crowd forced the gates, releasing a further three hundred. All the released prisoners dispersed through the town. There were no casualties.

PRODUCTION IN IRELAND.

ARBITRATORS' FINDINGS.

The following findings in arbitrations by the Committee on Production reached the parties concerned yesterday:—

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS.

In respect of an application for an advance of wages made to the Electrical Contractors' Association of Belfast by the Electrical Trades Union, no settlement having been arrived at between the parties, the application was referred to the Committee on Production for decision. Representatives of the parties were heard on March 16. The Committee have given careful consideration to the statements and arguments submitted to them, and their finding is as follows:—

(1) On and after the pay day for the first full pay in April, 1917, the men concerned shall receive 5s. per full ordinary week, calculated as from and including the 1st day of April.

(2) To boys and youths there shall be paid 2s. 6d. per full ordinary week, as from the 1st of April, 1917.

(3) The amounts hereby awarded are to be regarded as war advances, intended to assist in meeting the increased cost of living, and are to be recognised as due to and dependent on the existence of the abnormal conditions now prevailing in consequence of the war.

(4) In the case of piece-workers, premium bonus workers, and other men working on systems of payment by results, the amount is to be paid by the firms at the rate of 5s. per full ordinary week, over and above the week's earnings of the men concerned, calculated on the present basis.

(5) The amounts hereby awarded are to be taken into account in the calculation of payment for overtime or night duty, or for work on Sundays and holidays, but they are not otherwise to apply to or affect present time rates, premium bonus rates, or piece-work prices, and are not to be taken into account as part of the rates for the purpose of fixing new piece-work prices or premium bonus rates.

IRON FOUNDERS, BELFAST, AND NORTH OF IRELAND.

A similar finding is made in respect of applications for advances of wages made to the Belfast and North of Ireland Iron Founders' Association by the Friendly Society of Iron Founders, Amalgamated Society of Coremakers, National Amalgamated Union of Labour, National Union of General Workers, and Workers' Union.

IRON FOUNDERS, LONDONDERRY.

The Londonderry Iron Founders' Association, by the Friendly Society of Iron Founders. No settlement having been arrived at between the parties, the application was referred to the Committee on Production for decision. Representatives of the parties were heard on March 16.

ENGINEERING AND FOUNDRY TRADES.

The Belfast Employers' Association, and the Dublin Engineers' Employers' Association, by the following Societies, in so far as they have members employed in the federated shops and foundries, viz., Amalgamated Society of Engineers, Steam Engine Makers' Society, United Machine Workers' Association, United Kingdom Society of Amalgamated Smiths and Strikers, United Journeymen Brass Founders, Turners, Fitters, etc., Association, National Brass Workers, and Metal Mechanics Electrical Trades Union, Associated Blacksmiths and Iron Workers Society, Society of Amalgamated Toolmakers, United Pattern Makers Association, Scientific Instrument Makers Society, National Society of Coppersmiths, Braziers, and Metal Workers; Friendly Society of Iron Founders, Amalgamated Moulders' Union, Amalgamated Society of Coremakers, Iron, Steel, and Metal

PARLIAMENT.

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confine the consumption of coal to the district in which the coal was produced. That would relieve the railways from traffic, and would ensure a more ample and easier distribution of coal. As to the motion, he had no objection, in principle, to the local authorities being vested with larger powers, but the House should fail to realise what an enormous proportion was imposed on the local authorities at a time like the present if they were to charge the authorities with the purchase and distribution of the necessities of life. He did not want to see the local authorities compelled to exercise powers under conditions which would not give them a fair chance, but would allow opposition of the principle to say that a failure was just what they predicted. Mr. Hayes assured him, on behalf of the Local Government Board that there had been very great anxiety expressed on the part of the local authorities as to exceptional powers. Local authorities had no statutory powers to embark on any kind of trading. He did not rule it out, but that the Coal Controller would be prepared to consider it as one of the measures which have to be devised as a war measure which appeared likely to last through next winter. It was very different from expecting local authorities to undertake the whole of trade. He would convey Mr. O'Connor's suggestion to the proper quarters.

SUGAR PROBLEM.

Mr. FRANCE said that Mr. France had suggested that the Irish Party had some system of registration for purchase at particular establishments. A family book might be issued stating the amount of sugar to which the family was entitled. Countries could be made in the same way, and no sugar should be served without being produced.

SUGAR COMMITTEE FOR IRELAND.

Mr. WALLEN said that the Irish Party had suggested that there should be a Commission to fix the price of which, while only 53s. 6d. in Sligo, the price was being 9s. As to sugar, they believed that there was a Committee could be set up to safeguard the distribution Ireland by small tradesmen, and that the distribution should not want to be left to the big merchants, and that the distribution should be made to the amount of their normal trade, but the distribution should not be left to the big merchants, but there had been a great increase in the number of merchants, and that there should be a Committee to see that the distribution was equitably distributed.

Mr. DUNNE said that the Irish Party had looked to Ireland to furnish them with the largest possible supplies of food that her fertile soil could produce, and they were not likely to do anything to discourage the increased production, either of cereal food or such live stock as Ireland could supply.

THE ORDER AS TO HOARDING.

Mr. GEORGE LAMBERT asked if the Order as to hoarding would be limited to sugar.

Captain BATHURST said that he had not seen the draft Order, but he knew it was the intention of the Food Controller that it should apply to all ordinary and essential food commodities. He believed that the Order would be so framed and so interpreted that the ordinary method of reasonable purchase on the part of patriotic consumers would not be interfered with.

Mr. GEORGE LAMBERT—When will the Order be issued?

Captain BATHURST—The matter is under the consideration of the War Cabinet, and I believe it will be issued in the course of the next few days.

Mr. WATT—The 1st of April. (Laughter.)

Captain BATHURST hoped that in regard to these food questions people would exercise a due sense of proportion. Even if potatoes ran short, the people would not starve in consequence. If the supplies of sugar fell off owing to the perils of the sea, there was no reason why food riots should occur. We might have to go short of a good many commodities, but there was no reason for restlessness, which might interfere with the successful prosecution of the war. (Cheers.)

MR. HERBERT SAMUEL.

Mr. HERBERT SAMUEL thought that if it was not possible to publish precise information as to the present food stocks in the country and the prospects for the future, such information ought to be given to members who were to assist in propaganda work on behalf of economy. Remarking on Mr. Bathurst's profession of ignorance of the terms of the Order against hoarding, he said that it was disconcerting to learn that measures were taken without consultation with the representative of the House of Commons in the Food Controller's Department. (Cheers.) He hoped that it might be brought to the knowledge of the Food Controller that the House considered that their representative should have a full measure of responsibility and control. (Hear, hear.) With regard to the measures which were to be taken to secure better distribution of sugar, he hoped that if the present check was abolished some other form of restriction would be introduced simultaneously; otherwise the position might be worsened.

Mr. HENDERSON'S resolution was negatived without a division, and the House went into Committee of Supply, and passed a vote for the Royal Parades.

Progress was then reported.

The House adjourned at five minutes to four o'clock.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Hay Burned.—Fifty tons of hay, the property of Mr. John Collins, Ballylongford, were burned yesterday at Kilnaughtin, near Tarbert.

Ewe with Four Lambs.—A ewe, the property of Mr. Geoffrey Elliott, of Shenaly, Manorhamilton, gave birth to four lambs on Wednesday.

War Hospital Supplies.—A sum of £45 was realised at a jumble sale and raffle in Templemore in aid of the local War Hospital Supplies Depot and the Red Cross.

Reduced Rate in Wexford.—Owing to the practice of economy on the part of the Corporation, the Wexford town rate will be 7s. 4d. in the coming year, as compared with 7s. 9d. last year.

Resident Magistrate for the Army.—The Tobercurry magistrates on Thursday passed a resolution congratulating Mr. H. Toppin, R.M., on his appointment to a commission as Major in the Royal Irish Regiment.

Theatricals in Athlone.—Lady Castlemaine, President of the Athlone War Hospital Supply Depot, is arranging for the holding of theatricals in the town in aid of the funds for the depot, and for the local Comforts Fund of the R.F.A.

An Unwilling Traveller.—County Court Judge Brereton Barry, in apologising to the Grand Jury at the Wicklow Quarter Sessions for having been unable to attend the Court on Thursday, said that when seeing his son off to France he was carried off on the boat to Holyhead, and so was unable to reach Wicklow in time.

Police Constable Rewarded.—Constable S. Patterson, of Benburb Police Station, County Tyrone, has been awarded a certificate, and a money grant from the Irish Police and Constabulary Recognition Fund for good police duty during the Irish Rebellion. Constable Patterson was one of the party of policemen that came in contact with a force of rebels at Ashbourne.

Tyrone Unionists and Toleration.—When an allegation of intolerance was made against the Unionists on the Tyrone County Council at the meeting of the Council in Omagh yesterday, Mr. William Coote, M.P., said that since the passing of the Local Government Act the Unionist County Council of Tyrone had appointed more Roman Catholics to offices of emolument than all the Nationalist counties in Ireland had appointed Unionists

COUNT PLUNKETT'S LETTER.

CORK CORPORATION'S ACTION.

At yesterday's meeting of the Cork Corporation the Lord Mayor mentioned that they had received Count Plunkett's circular, and suggested that the consideration of it should be deferred to the next meeting, when it would appear on the agenda.

The O'Brienite members agreed to this course, but the Redmondite members contended that it should be discussed at once, and a long and tempestuous discussion followed.

It was decided by 16 votes to 6 that the letter should be read. The reading of the letter was interrupted by derisive remarks from the Redmondites.

Councillor Egan moved that the letter be printed and circulated for the next meeting.

Councillor Daniel Horgan moved as an amendment a resolution of confidence in the Irish Parliamentary Party as led by Mr. Redmond, and said that the question now for them was constitutionalism *versus* revolution. (Uproar.) He characterised the interruptions as blackguardly, and

Alderman Forde demanded a withdrawal of the expression.

The Lord Mayor said that he did not hear it.

Alderman O'Sullivan, in seconding the amendment, said that when Count Plunkett was seeking the representation of Roscommon he did not tell the electors that, if elected, he would not go to Westminster. Mr. Redmond had won over such great opponents of Home Rule as Lord Northcliffe, Lord Bentinck, and Sir Edward Carson, all of whom had pronounced themselves Home Rulers.

Councillor John Horgan said with their opponents the destruction of the Irish Party was uppermost in their minds.

Councillor Lane—They are destroyed already.

The amendment was carried by 17 votes to 5.

When Councillor Egan's motion came on, calling for the withdrawal of the Irish Party from Westminster, and their return to Ireland, he said that he made a mistake, and would not move it. The Irish people did not want to see the Irish Party again, and he hoped they would never return. (Laughter.)

THURLES COUNCIL.

At Thursday night's meeting of the Thurles Urban Council Count Plunkett's circular was received.

Chairman (Mr. J. L. Johnston)—That's a long signature.

Mr. Bolton—Adopt it.

Chairman—I propose that it be marked "read."

Mr. Bolton said the Irish Party were good for the council if they wanted was £400 a year.

Mr. Bowe—It's the wrong thing and the wrong time to be stabbing them in the back. Mr. Redmond has done much for the country as any statesman ever did.

The consideration of the matter was adjourned to a future meeting.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Postings.—Temporary Second Lieutenant H. C. [illegible], R.F.A., has been posted to the Irish Command. Major T. A. Potter, R.A.M.C., has been posted to the Irish Command, from the 21st March, 1917, for duty. Francis Baillie, Esq., M.B., Ch.B., L.R.C.P., has been ordered to join the R.A.M.C. Training Centre, Birr, on the 12th April, 1917, for duty.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, MARCH 23, 1917.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTER UNITS.

Draft Conducting Officer—Graded for purposes of pay as Staff Lt., 2nd Class, and to be transferred to Gen. List—Temp. Sec. Lt. J. P. Coghlan, attached.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY.

R.G.A.—To be Acting Major whilst commanding siege battery—Capt. M. Brennan (T.F.).

INFANTRY.

R.I. Rifles—Capt. C. L. Matthews-Donaldson is placed on the H.P. List on account of ill-health contracted on active service.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

INFANTRY.

R. Irish Regt.—Capt. O'Beirne is seconded whilst commanding a prisoners of war company.

REGULAR FORCES.

INFANTRY.

R. Irish Fus.—Cadet T. Houston to be temp. Sec. Lt., attached.

R. Muns. Fus.—Cadets to be temp. Sec. Lts., attached—O. H. Baily, J. J. Carroll, C. F. Ennis, G. J. Frewen, C. B. Hall, J. R. Love, C. S. Shiel, M. C'Cutcheon Taylor.

R. Dub. Fus.—Cadet E. R. Barrett to be temp. Sec. Lt., attached.

SERVICE BATTALIONS.

R. Irish Regt.—Sec. Lt. P. F. Trotter, R. Guernsey Militia, since transferred to Serv. Batt. R. Guernsey Lt. to be temp. Sec. Lt.

LOCAL RESERVE.

R.I. Rifles—Temp. Sec. Lt. F. N. Lancaster, from a Serv. Batt., to be temp. Sec. Lt. Cadet L. Hughes to be temp. Sec. Lt.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

The undermentioned from an Officers' Cadet Unit to be Sec. Lts.

INFANTRY.

R. Irish Regt.—P. C. V. Hamilton, A. M. Polce, R. Innis. Fus.—I. J. Eadie, C. G. Foster, W. J. W. M'Culloch, J. Redpath, W. H. Thompson, R. W. Cottingham, W. M. Hunter.

R.I. Rifles—R. J. Watson, T. Farley, J. Fernlay, M. H. Jeffares.

R. Irish Fus.—C. P. Donegan, D. H. Lemon, Lord Langford—P. E. Tenant, R. E. Gordon-Hall, H. Hall, A. J. Rowlette.

Leins. Regt.—P. B. Cullinan, J. Keogh, J. Ince, M. J. M'Connell, G. F. Smith, M. F. Buckley.

R. A. M. Nugent, W. Seery, D. Wilson.

R. Muns. Fus.—L. H. Dickey, D. J. O'Sullivan, E. C. Williamé, A. W. Semple, P. Flynn, W. O. Varian.

R. Dub. Fus.—C. G. Craddock, J. Hartley, H. J. Walker, D. J. Davies, R. V. L. Fitzgerald, T. B. Poulter.

CAVALRY.

N. Irish Horse—W. H. Hutchinson, from temp. Lt. Res. Regt. of Cavalry, to be Sec. Lt. Temp. Sec. Lt. F. J. Whalen, from Res. Regt. of Cavalry, to be Sec. Lt.

MARCH 22.

To be Sec. Lt. for service in the field—

E. Lanc. Regt.—Co. Sgt.-Major Graham Henry Hendy, from R. Irish Regt.

REGULAR FORCES.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY.

R.H. and R.F.A.—Undermentioned relinquishes acting rank of Capt. and to be Lt.—R. de Rotsch.

MEMORANDUM.

To be Acting Capt.—Lt. D. P. Hall, R. Muns. Fus., Spec. Res., while commanding a trench mortar batt.

Thompson's Naval and Military Tailors, 8 Westmoreland st., and Moor Park, Fermoy.—(Advt.).

MILITARY OUTFITS.
Conwa/ and Swan, 79 Dame street.—(Advt.)

MILITARY BOOT AND LEGGING MAKER.
L. J. Watkins, 77 Dame street. (Advt.)

UNIFORMS AND CAMP KIT.
Write for Price List.
JUNIOR ARMY AND NAVY STORES,
D'Olier street, Dublin. (Advt.)

SKERRY'S COLLEGE.
During 1916 Students of SKERRY'S COLLEGE, Dublin, obtained 105 Civil Service Appointments, 34 Bank and Railway Clerkships, 7 Dublin Corporation Clerkships, 302 Certificates in Shorthand, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, and 131 Commercial Appointments.—(Advt.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CHURCH OF IRELAND REFORM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I need not trespass largely on your courtesy to reply to Mr. Bolton's letter in your issue of the 15th March. He misses the point altogether. Granting that his calculation of the administrative cost *per cent.* be correct, the point is that, if that percentage can be reduced, it is the duty of those who have the power to effect the reduction. I have ascertained that the staff of the Representative Church Body consists of 16 male officials and three female, and I still maintain that this number is excessive. A considerable amount of work in connection with clerical stipends and superannuation is discharged by the various Diocesan Councils, and reaches the Representative Church Body offices in a cut-and-dried form. These Diocesan Councils perform a very considerable proportion of the work of administration of the Church funds, and also a large share of the work of glebes' administration. The question is whether the work performed in the Representative Church Body offices requires the energies of a staff of nineteen. My contention is that it does not. In spite of Mr. Bolton's denial I maintain that there is a connection between the amount of work done in the secretarial departments of a railway system and that done in the Representative Church Body offices. A staff of twelve is sufficient in one case, while a staff of nineteen is employed in the other, the work, as to amount, being similar in both cases.

Mr. Bolton thinks that he has discovered a serious discrepancy in my statement as to the gross receipts as shown in the report to which he refers—viz., the inclusion of the balance brought forward. He ought to know that a balance brought forward is properly a receipt in the financial year in which it appears. The report so includes it correctly.—Yours, etc.,

ARTHUR E. GICK, Clk.

Ballymore-Eustace, March 22nd, 1917.

THE EXTINCTION OF THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent, "A Country Gentleman," voices a matter which, indeed, has become serious. Unfortunately, up to the present there is no organisation to help those in similar plight. There is the Landowners' Convention, but, as far as I am aware, this is a body of large landowners, and I do not think Dublin got much support from smaller landlords, although the Landowners' Convention has done splendid work, and any concessions the landlords have got is mainly owing to the active part the Convention took. If they extended a bit and helped those not so fortunate, I am sure they would do good work.

I, like "Country Gentleman," am also in a bad way. I sold five years ago some property to the tenants. The money has not been paid me yet. I have heavy mortgages. Land Stock is down to nothing. Only last week the mortgagees told me they would foreclose. I have a nice property, part of it very valuable. What am I to do? Where can I borrow? The banks will lend to everyone and anyone but a landowner. I was told the other day that in a part of the lands which are set to tenants, and not sold, nobody will lend money on it, as the tenants are too small, £5 yearly each, on an average, working out at £300 a year, being the rent, fee simple.

One would imagine in these days that this was the kind of property which one would like to invest in, especially as their rents being so small, they can easily pay. Besides these are the men who have money in Ireland, the small farmer—no income tax, and high price for their farm produce. The big farm, one would imagine, is not attractive now, with all the illage that has to be done.

I, like "Country Gentleman," fear I will have to go under, and it is no fault of mine. I have worked hard. The Government ruined us small landlords. They reduced the tenants' rents. The interest on mortgages had to be paid all the same, and then, even when we sold some of the property, thinking to clear off the mortgages, the Government will not pay us what they owe us. That is the most serious part, not being paid. How can we then fulfil our obligations? And then you are asked to put your last shilling in the War Loan. As the Government have my money and are paying me in Land Stock some £300 for every £1,000, I do not see how I can pay to the War Loan.

I am not an absentee landlord. I live on my place, and keep men working. But now how can I? Where is 30s. a week to come from to pay seven men £10 10s. a week wages alone? I cannot do it. I have not got it, unfortunately. So I must, I suppose, go under also, and I can thank my Government under which I live.

As I write, a large farm under the C.D.B. is being split up, all owing to pressure brought by the local branch of the League. That is what we landowners want—some kind of a league of our own. It cannot be illegal to bring the pressure to bear which the U.I.L. brings, or else our Government would not tolerate it. Let us hope for something to be started to give us a chance of borrowing at a fair rate of interest, in order to keep us from starvation and being sold out of our homes.—Yours, etc.,

"GENTLEMAN FARMER."

March 22nd, 1917.

ARTIFICIAL SALMON CULTURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I was much interested in the letter on the above subject by Mr. Marston, which appeared in your columns on Tuesday last. I quite agree with him that over-netting, more especially at the mouths of rivers, is the main cause of the great falling off in the numbers of our salmon. I would suggest that all netting for salmon should be restricted to the hours between sunrise and sunset. In that way the fish would have a fair chance of entering our rivers. The net-owners would have to receive some compensation for the restriction imposed on them, but I have no doubt that they would also benefit after a time as a result of the great increase in the number of fish that would follow. This might be one of the finest fishing districts in the United Kingdom but for the close netting at the mouth of the river Laune, which empties the lakes into the sea.—Yours, etc.,

"K. A. A."

Killarney, March 22nd, 1917.

UNNECESSARY WASTE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The Corporation Cleansing Committee's discussion on waste paper is an important one deserving of every consideration. Tons of valuable waste paper, now deposited useless at Fairview, might be turned to much account. Apart altogether from the loss, it is a serious matter from a sanitary and public health point, more particularly in spring and summer weather. Clean paper, contaminated by other often filthy refuse dumped at Fairview, is carried broadcast over the entire district. Any readers doubting this statement can see for themselves if they visit Clontarf in general or the Fairview district in particular at any time when even a moderate wind is blowing: the result is injurious to the district, and puts additional work on the cleansing department, with consequent increased expenses on the ratepayers.

Dust-bins from city residential and business houses contain much that might with a little care be made valuable or even converted into money. Bones make a valuable manure, now so scarce, and bring good prices. Rags, particularly woollen ones, are at the moment valuable to the nation. Bottles, jars, and other receptacles once of little value are now not alone hard to obtain, but often worth more than what they contained. Cinders are thrown out unscreened, and this with coal scarce and fetching over £2 *per* ton; while kitchen refuse, potato and turnip skins, vegetable offal, and other things which now decay and pollute the area over and adjacent to where they are dumped would all make valuable feeding for pigs, fowl, and other live stock. If householders under existing pressing circumstances will not from an economic standpoint take a little trouble to adjust their ash-bin refuse, the Corporation should, with the approval of the Local Government Board, and, if necessary, an order from the Food Controller, formulate a by-law refusing to remove refuse so mixed or rendering such waste liable to a fine. Many are trying to economise, but this is useless unless all fall into line.—Yours, etc.,

T. PICTON BRADSHAW.

Mount Temple, Clontarf, March 23rd, 1917.

PLATFORM AND STAGE.

Mr. Alfred Butt's company will appear at the Gaiety Theatre next week in "Peg o' My Heart," a play which has been very successful during its previous visits to Dublin. There will be two matinée performances—one on Wednesday and one on Saturday, at 2.30. Miss Ann Coppinger takes the part of Peg.

A varied programme will be presented at the Theatre Royal next week. The Two Bobs are old favourites; they will give popular numbers from their repertoire. Miss Alva York will pay a return visit, with new songs. Then there are De Marest, the novelty violinist; Vincent, the acrobatic table expert; Phil Bransby, the Daunton-Shaw Troupe; the Six Musical Navvies, and the Violas, with the Royal bioscope.

Lena and Dermont's company will appear at the Queen's Theatre next week in the domestic drama, "For a Child's Sake." The piece is in eight scenes, and there are two performances nightly. The theatre will be closed during Holy Week.

In the Abbey Theatre next week Mr. Bernard Shaw's play, "The Doctor's Dilemma," will be produced for the first time in Dublin.

The matinée at the Empire Theatre to-day in aid of the funds of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society Employment Bureau promises to be a great success. It will be under the patronage of Queen Alexandra and a number of distinguished ladies and gentlemen. The play is Palgrave Simpson's "Time and the Hour," and it will be interpreted by a first-rate cast, under the stage management of Mr. Brendan Stewart, late of Drury Lane and the Prince of Wales's Theatres, London. The fine hand of the Faugh-a-Ballaghs will be present and play selections.

Musical people will be interested to know that Mr. Ivor Foster, the famous baritone, will appear in Dublin at the Twelvetrees orchestral concert on Tuesday afternoon at the Gaiety Theatre. Mr. Foster, who has not sung in Dublin for many years, possesses a voice of singular richness and purity, and as a platform singer he enjoys widespread popularity. The orchestra, under Mr. Clyde Twelvetrees, is composed entirely of stringed instruments, and will play several selections of the modern school. The other artists are Miss Jean Nolan, the well-known singer, and Miss Petite O'Hara, whose artistic violin playing has appealed to all lovers of good music. The proceeds are to be devoted to the relief of the destitute poor of the city. The booking is at Cramer's.

Scotch Kelly, who was so successful in the "Cinderella" pantomime, will be the principal attraction at the Empire Theatre next week. Another engagement of importance is that of Haydn Wood and Miss Dorothy Court. Mr. Wood is a capital violinist, and has written many popular songs, and Miss Court will be remembered as a very pleasing soprano in the D'Oyly Carte company. Miss Lily Mackenzie is the accompanist. Also, there are Kirby, the Call Boy, assisted by Miss Kathleen Trowbridge in a comedy skit; Hayes and Thorne, the Harmers, and Little Mary. The Empire will be closed during Holy Week.

The Tivoli Theatre announces for next week the engagement of Mr. J. Augustus Keogh's company of Irish Players in Bernard Duffy's Abbey Theatre play, "The Coiner." Other artists included in the bill are—Musical Wests, The Forsyths, in "The Dollie Girl and the Burglar"; Jack Barlow, bass, at the piano; Wrangham and Gordon, Adrien Hector, and Arthur Hayes, the comedy conjuror.

"Mr. Mason's Will," by Mr. Rider Haggard, will be the chief film at the Princess Cinema, Rathmines, on Monday next. The Princess has secured the right of first production in Rathmines of all the Metro films, and the exclusive first rights for Dublin of all Pathé films.

"Bettina Loved a Soldier," a screen version of the French novel, "L'Abbé Constantin," will be shown at the Grafton Picture House next week. It is in four reels. A special film, entitled "The Call of the Land," issued by the National Service Office, will also be shown, together with "From Quebec to Niagara."

At the Pillar Picture House on Monday next there will be shown, for the first time in Dublin, a five-act drama entitled "Ambition," in which the leading part is taken by Bertha Kalish. Ambition was produced by the Fox Corporation. In addition, there are a number of comedy and other films.

On Monday next the Bohemian Picture House will screen one of the finest pictures ever seen in the city—"Just a Girl," from the novel by Charles Garvice, which will be seen in Ireland for the first time. It has been produced in six parts by Samuelson. It should not be missed by any picture-goer.

The British Empire Shakespeare Society (Dublin Branch) will hold its monthly meeting in the Little Theatre, Upper Sackville street, on Monday next, when a lecture will be delivered by Mr. S. A. O. Fitzpatrick on "Shakespeare and the Supernatural." The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock by Sir Ralph S. Benson. After the lecture there will be an interval for tea and conversation, and Shakespeare songs and recitations will be given by members. A costume recital of one of the scenes from "Macbeth" will also be given.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

County Dublin Magistracy.—The Lord Chancellor has appointed Mr. John G. Drury, of Swift's Row, Parish Mills, Naas, to the Commission of the Peace for County Dublin, with a seat on the Bench of Rathcoole Petty Sessions.

Dublin Coffin-Makers' Strike.—Nearly all the coffin-makers of Dublin are now on strike, with the object of securing an increase of 10s. a week in their wages. Recently the majority of them joined the Transport Workers' Union. Although undertakers are somewhat hampered in their trade by the strike, the difficulties are such as are being overcome.

Unemployed Brewery Men.—The continued reduction of brewery employes in Dublin was the subject of some inquiries yesterday. It was learned that a number of the men had been, or are about to be, taken on at works near Arklow. One of these men said yesterday that the Arklow district was no longer a fishing district, but a very important place, and that the weekly amount of wages distributed there was surprising.

St. Patrick's Past Choristers Society.—The annual dinner of St. Patrick's Past Choristers Society was held on Tuesday last at St. Andrew's Hotel, Exchequer street, Dublin. Mr. W. Kelly was in the chair. The following contributed songs:—Messrs. W. J. Buchanan, R. Scott, Wesley Guard, A. White, Vine Saunderson, T. Shellard, R. Rafter, etc. Mr. Wilson Kelly afforded great amusement by his songs and impersonations. The evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem, Mr. W. Lee Kelly leading the verses.

Ireland's Folly.—The most amazing piece of shipping information which could possibly be printed concerns at present Ireland's extraordinary attitude in exporting food-stuffs which she actually re-imports from other markets. Apart from substitutions for the best Irish bacon and hams now sent away, and which are replaced on the inward side by American bacon, known down the country as "the lad," there arrive at the Liffey at times consignments of tinned and cured fish, which, having been caught in Irish waters, had made a double crossing of the Atlantic in order to change their name—and in some cases their very nature.

STRENGTH OF BRITAIN MOVEMENT (IRISH BRANCH).

A meeting of the Committee of the Irish Branch of the Strength of Britain Movement was held in 6 Leinster street, Dublin, on Thursday. There were present—Sir Algernon Coote, Bart., R.M.L. (in the chair); Mrs. Edwin Booth, Mr. Richard W. Booth, M.P., Lady Dockrell, Mr. Charles Sayle, M.A., J.P., Miss V. Esposito, Mr. P. H. Grierson, Mr. Percy J. Gillespie, Miss B. M. Hutton, Mr. Joseph Mooney, J.P.; Miss M. M. White, LL.A. Apologies were received from Messrs. Arthur T. Bewley, M.D.; B. J. Newcomie, and Lady Wright. Two new members were welcomed to the Committee—Mrs. Edwin Booth and Mr. Percy J. Gillespie.

The following were appointed as an Organising Committee to arrange for meetings, lectures, etc., with power to add to their number—Messrs. Edwin Booth, Percy J. Gillespie, James Johnston, Joseph Mooney, J.P., F. J. Morton, and W. R. Wigham.

The Chairman reported that a large and very successful meeting of members of the Movement was held in the rooms of the National Union of Women Workers on Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 8 p.m., the Provost of Trinity College in the chair. There was a very full discussion as to the aims of the Movement, and much gratification was expressed that so much had been already gained. A large number of signatures were made at to the working of the Branch. These included schemes of advertising, appeals to the working classes, getting into touch with the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, members of Parliament and trades unions, the making of it clear that Ireland was concerned in the Movement as well as Great Britain, and the prohibition of the growing of barley and oats for the manufacture of intoxicants.

A report was made that a telegram had been sent to the London offices of the Movement wishing every success to the meeting, held in the Queen's Hall on Thursday night. Professor W. FitzJohn Trench, LL.D., attended as a delegate at this meeting on behalf of the Irish Branch.

Lady Dockrell brought before the Committee the importance of keeping a constructive programme to the front, and instanced that for Ireland there were great possibilities in the manufacture of industrial alcohol.

At the request of the Acting Secretary the office hours were altered to 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., instead of from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

The American railway companies will shortly make formal application to the Inter-State Commerce Commission for permission to make a general increase in freight rates throughout the country.

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Books of the Week.

RUSSIA'S DESTINY.

Russia looms large with us just now, and we are turning more and more to Russian literature for illumination. Messrs. Maunsel, therefore deserve our thanks for their timely issue of "The Modern Russian Library," two volumes of which are at present before us. The translations by S. Kotelianisky and J. M. Murry seem to leave nothing to be desired, and the introductions by the latter writer—no mean authority on modern Russian literature—add considerably to their interest and their value. Fyodor Dostoevsky was not only one of the great novelists of the nineteenth century: he was a Russian patriot who, on his return to his native country in 1873, adopted the style of a prophet, setting his hope in the coming of a new humanity, which he believed could only have its birth in Russia. He was hailed by Vladimir Soloviev as "the prophet of God," though for Shestov—his latest critic—his claim to the title was based on "a colossal ambition" buttressed by "a ring of conviction and a loud voice." We cannot fail to be struck by the grandeur of the conceptions which he reads into the poems of Pushkin as given here in the famous speech delivered on 8th June, 1880, and by his defence of that speech against the criticism of M. Gradovsky and the so-termed "Westerners."

Dostoevsky claims for Pushkin that he was "the first to detect and exhibit the chief symptom of the sickness of our (Russian) intellectual society, uprooted from the soil and raised above the people": the first to give us "artistic types of Russian moral beauty," to exhibit in his artistic genius the "capacity for universal sympathy and for the most complete reincarnation in the genius of other nations." In this quality of Pushkin Dostoevsky recognises a completely Russian faculty, a national characteristic, which renders "the Russian soul, the genius of the Russian people, among all nations the most capable of upholding the ideal of a universal union of mankind." He finds in Europe, outside of Russia, "the whole social foundation of every nation undermined," while "our poor untidy land, save for its upper classes, is as one single man." To these ideas the war and the revolution, after a lapse of over thirty years, have given a profound significance. The dream that salvation could descend upon the world from Russia is no longer inconceivable, and the survivors of those who followed the novelist to his grave may now, with better justification, hope for their country "a mighty spiritual destiny."

Incorporated in this volume is that strange vision, "The Dream of a Queer Fellow." Mr. Murry tells us that, had he met his tale earlier, before his "thought upon Dostoevsky was already formed," he might have regarded it as "the key to his work." "Alone, it may be only a simple, beautiful, and tragic story." "But when the memory is crowded with visions of all the queer fellows with whom Dostoevsky peopled his terrible world . . . then I do know that it is something utterly different from a simple story, that it is something vast, and terrible, and true."

In the second of these volumes—a selection from the essays of Leon Shestov—we have a fine example of modern philosophic criticism. The introduction gives us an able summing-up of the works of Tolstoi, Dostoevsky, and Tchekhov, and of their consciousness of the "ultimate connection between philosophy and life." The extracts from Shestov's essays cover the work of them all. We have already referred to his verdict on Dostoevsky in the essay headed "The Gift of Prophecy." It is interesting, however, in view of current events, to quote one passage on Dostoevsky's forecasts. "He terrified us by prophesying that Europe would be drenched in rivers of blood because of the warfare between the classes. . . . A quarter of a century has passed. So far nothing has happened in Europe." The visionary was nearer to the truth than his critic. The latter was happier in his estimate when he said: "As he was, so he remained, on the eve of a great truth." Taken as a whole, these extracts, for they are only extracts, amply warrant the words of Mr. Murry: "The Russians have much to teach us, and the only way we shall learn, or even know what we should accept and what reject, is to take count as much as we can of the Russian realities. And the first of these and the last is that in Russia the things of the spirit are held in honour above all others. Because of this the Russian soul is tormented by problems to which we have long been dead, and to which we need to be alive again."

"Pages from the Journal of an Author." By Fyodor Dostoevsky. 2/6 net.

Anton Tchekhov and Other Essays." By Leon Shestov. 5/6 net. The Modern Russian Library. Dublin: Maunsel and Co.

A HISTORY OF THE WAR.

Colonel Murray's history of the war has appeared already in the pages of the *Fortnightly Review*. Sir Evelyn Wood contributes an introductory foreword, in which he indicates his agreement and his disagreement with the author. We also have our points of disagreement. For example, we are not at all disposed to share the author's high opinion of Sir Ian Hamilton, and we surely think that Colonel Murray might have bestowed more praise upon the wonderful evacuation carried out by Sir Charles Monro. We endorse every word that he writes concerning Lord Kitchener. We all know how great our debt is to him, but the author is right in stating that one of the defects of this great man was his inability to delegate authority. That judgment has been confirmed by the disclosures of the Dardanelles Commission's report.

Colonel Murray begins his narrative with the outbreak of war on August 5th, 1914, and continues it to the same date in 1916. His plan has been to state the facts of every operation in the order of sequence, and then to add such explanatory comments as may be required for the elucidation of the events recorded. Published *data* only are utilised: all evidence which cannot be verified without access to confidential documents is ruled out. No doubt, this plan removes some of the sensational interest that might otherwise adhere to the volume, but the reader has the satisfaction of seeing before him an account which is essentially trustworthy. The opening chapter discusses the belligerent strength of the countries at war, and the figures leave no doubt that the process of attrition in the case of the Central Powers will be a very long one, indeed. Of the retreat from Mons there is a most discriminating account. Apart from the fact that Sir John French succeeded in getting his men away, it is the bare truth to state that he saved the left wing of the Allied Armies from being rolled up and thrown back on the French centre.

The campaign in the East scarcely receives adequate notice. Thus, the battle of Tannenberg is not reckoned to be so outstanding as we deem it. On the other hand, in the space at the disposal of the writer, he is, perhaps, justified in giving most of his attention to the campaign in the West. The review of the first twelve months of the war is admirably done. To those inclined to be pessimistic at the moment we recommend the measured words of Colonel Murray. When he is optimistic he gives ample reason for the faith that is in him. His survey of the results of the second year of war deserves careful study. Taking the year 1915-16 as a whole, he thinks it correct to say that "Germany's initial successes reached their high-water level at the end of 1915, and the tide began then to turn in favour of the Allies. The enemy's attempt to regain the initiative in France ended in sanguinary failure, which weakened the strength of the German Armies without producing any compensating results. Defeated on the Meuse, the Germans are now defending themselves on the Somme, where the Allies are threatening to pierce their centre and seize their communications with Belgium. In Russia they are clinging to their positions with admirable tenacity, but with difficulty which is daily increasing owing to the resumption of offensive operations by the Russian Armies. . . . On the seas the battle of Jutland has confirmed our claim to naval supremacy and removed all fears of a German invasion."

"The Fortnightly History of the War." By Colonel A. M. Murray, C.B., M.V.O. With a Foreword by Field Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood. Vol. I. London: Chapman and Hall. 10/6.

THE BATTLES OF THE SOMME.

Those who have not read Mr. Philip Gibbs's articles on the Somme fighting as they appeared in the Press have now the opportunity of reading them in book-form. They are well worth reading, though it must be admitted that there is in them a certain inevitable sameness. One day's fighting is very like another's in this unprecedented war, and the field of battle is so vast that even the most daring and tireless of correspondents must miss a thousand instances of heroism and proofs of man's unconquerable mind for one that comes to his knowledge. But if the whole story were written, as it never will be, in full epic detail, the world would scarcely contain the books of record. We must be satisfied with swift, impressionist sketches and summaries such as Mr. Gibbs furnishes so admirably.

"The Battles of the Somme." By Philip Gibbs London: Heinemann. 6/-

IRELAND'S MYTHOLOGY.

Ireland is as rich in mythology as she is in writers on the subject. This may account for the number of recently-issued works which carry us back to legendary periods. Mr. Standish O'Grady and Mr. Yeats and Lady Gregory have made us familiar with Cuchullain and the other heroes of what has been aptly termed the period of the Gaelic Iliad. The enthusiasm for this

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THE G.A.A. AND AMUSEMENTS TAX.

A COUNTY CAVAN CASE.

At the Cavan Petty Sessions yesterday, Michael Maguire, Carn, Crosskeys, was summoned by the Excise authorities for having failed to pay the Amusements Tax on a football match, which was played under Gaelic Rules. The case was before the court a fortnight ago, but the magistrates were evenly divided, and no decision was arrived at. At yesterday's hearing neither the defendant nor his solicitor was in attendance, a written application for an adjournment having been refused by the magistrates.

Mr. Collins, Excise Officer, deposed that he attended the match and demanded the tax. The defendant, who was at the gate, undertook responsibility, but failed to pay the tax, although written to several times.

Mr. Smith, Solicitor, did not press for costs, and the defendant was fined £12 10/-, with a recommendation that it should be mitigated to 10/-. The defendant was also ordered to pay 4/-, the amount of the tax.

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EXTRACT FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1916.

ORDINARY BRANCH.—The number of Policies issued during the year was 32,660, assuring the sum of £2,829,279 11s. 3d., producing a yearly renewal Premium Income of £135,047 9s. 1d. The Single Premiums amounted to £596,757 7s. 0d. The Premium Income for the year was £731,700 19s. 4d., being an increase of £309,386 16s. 10d., as compared with the previous year. The increase in the Premium Income—excluding single premiums—amounted to £57,410 6s. 5d., being contrasted with the previous year. The amount paid in respect of Claims was £711,904 14s. 8d.

INDUSTRIAL BRANCH.—The Premium Income for the year amounted to £2,337,067 16s. 3d., being an increase of £54,454 14s. 3d. over the previous year. The amount paid in respect of Claims was £1,175,338 11s. 1d.

The aggregate Premium Income of both Branches for the year was £4,208,788 17s. 7d., showing an increase of £363,841 11s. 1d. over the previous year. The Premium Income in respect to both Branches, excluding Single Premiums—represents an increase of £91,865 0s. 4d., when contrasted with the previous year.

The total amount of Claims paid in both Branches since the establishment of the Company is £23,953,994 9s. 2½d.

The total funds of the Company amount to £13,728,836 17s. 3d., representing an increase during the year of £1,487,940 19s. 6½d.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET OF THE REFUGE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, for the Year ending 31st December, 1916.

LIABILITIES.	£	s.	d.
Shareholders' Capital, paid up.....	300,000	0	0
Ordinary Branch Assurance Fund	9,836,864	7	8
Ordinary Branch Investments Reserve Fund	345,000	0	0
Industrial Branch Assurance Fund	3,176,972	9	10
Industrial Branch Investments Reserve Fund	70,000	0	0
	£13,728,836	17	3

ASSETS.	£	s.	d.
Mortgages on Property within the United Kingdom	1,934,911	13	0
Loans on Parochial and other Public Rates	712,455	3	2
Do. Life Interests	8,000	0	0
Do. Reversions	10,161	13	8
Do. Stocks and Shares	19,264	5	2
Do. Company's Policies within their Surrender Values.....	1,370,810	0	0
Investments—			
Deposit with the High Court (£25,000 3 per cent. India Stock)	20,766	12	6
British Government Securities..	2,121,405	16	10
Municipal and County Securities, United Kingdom	294,886	18	8
Indian and Colonial Government Securities	535,618	12	0
Foreign Government Securities	152,752	9	2
Do. Municipal Securities	347,386	9	8
Foreign Government Securities	50,000	0	0
Do. Municipal Securities	10,103	12	6
Do. Municipal Securities	202,880	15	2
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stock—Home and Foreign	3,267,762	13	7
Railway and other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	392,527	14	4
Do. and other Ordinary Stocks	35,196	2	6
Rent Charges	68,248	18	0
Freehold Ground Rents	6,812	12	5
House and Office Property	931,843	12	11
Agents' Balances	70,404	9	6
Outstanding Premiums	£564,829	3	0
Less Abatement to provide, inter alia, for Loss of Revenue occasioned by the operation of the Corrupt Practices (Elections and Payments) Act, 1914	156,093	0	8
	408,736	2	4
Do. Interest, Dividends, and Rents (less Income Tax)	19,825	17	1
Interest accrued but not payable (less Income Tax).....	107,773	0	7
Cash—			
On Deposit	312,500	0	0
On hand and on Current Account	109,770	3	4
Furniture and Fixtures	57,767	3	4
	£13,728,836	17	3

R. WM. GREEN, Chairman.
PHILIP SMITH, JAMES S. PROCTOR, ROBERT MOSS, Secretary. } Managing Directors.
E. W. LEACH (Local Director), CHARLES HOLT, W. H. ALDCROFT, F.I.A., HENRY THORNTON, } General Managers.
} Directors.
T. SHUTT.

We report that we have audited the foregoing Balance-sheet and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the said Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Company.

We have examined the Cash transactions (Receipts and Payments) affecting the Accounts of the Company's Assets and Investments for the year ending 31st December, 1916, and we find the same duly entered in order and properly vouched. We have also examined the Deeds and other securities representing the Assets and Investments stated in the foregoing Balance Sheet, and we certify that they remained in the Company's possession and safe custody on the 31st December, 1916.

H. B. WALTON, F.C.A., } Auditors.
(Walton, Wells, and Co., Chartered Accountants).

Tables of Rates and any other information may be obtained on application to the local officials of the Company.

Superintendents—J. P. Doran, F. Danison, M. A. Conway.

Assistant Superintendents—P. Glennon, J. Byrne, D. Quinn.

Assistant Superintendent—F. O'Donovan.

S. Johnston, 107 Robert's green, Dublin.

Superintendent E. O'Kane, 137 Lower George's street, Kingstown.

J. Swift, Inspector for Ireland, 105 Stephen's green, Dublin.

Manchester, 20th February, 1917.

FINANCIAL NEWS

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

MARKETS REMAIN QUIET. BANK STOCK AND GUINNESS ADVANCE. TEXTILES AND DUNLOPS BUSY.

DUBLIN, FRIDAY EVENING.

Transactions on 'Change to-day were quietly conducted, but there appeared more orders in the hands of the brokers, without exhibiting any very decided tendency one way or the other. The demand for Bank of Ireland Stock was continued, but very little changed hands. Guinness Ord. shares registered a strong rally, but E. and J. Burke Ord. shares were not bid for except at a considerable decline in price. The Funds show irregular changes. In Banks, Bank of Ireland Stock was scarce, and an advance of 2 points was established. Royals remain at 10½, but Munster and Leinsters fell off to 5⅞. Dublin Distillers issues remain in complete stagnation. Guinness Ord. turned buyers, and rose ½ to 22½ bid, and the Pref. sympathised, but rallied only ⅛ to 10⅝. Marconi Wireless Ord. shares fell 3d. to 57s. 9d. Home Rails closed firm, but dealing was very limited and confined to a few issues. Parent Tyres were in steady favour. The Ord. and Pref. closed ½d. better, while the Defd. repeated 28s. 3d. Dunlop Rubber Ord. at 53s. 9d. were steady. Bolands Pref. rose ¼ to 7, and the Deb. fell ¼ to 7¼. Textiles were little changed. Cottons Ord. rose 3d. to 45s., and Spinners 1½d. to 28s. 3d., but Coats Ord. fell ⅛ to 64. Dyers and Calicos maintained previous prices. Goulding Debs. rose 6d. to 80s. 6d. Brooks, Thomas Pref. fell 1s. to 16s. 9d., and E. and J. Burke Ord. closed nominally 6s. 3d. lower about 45s. Alex Thom and Co. Debs. rose 2 to 70. Tedcastle, M'Cormick Pref. remain 85s., 81s. 3d., nominally.

Exchequer 6 p.c. 1920 Bonds realised 101¼, and ditto 5 p.c. 1919 Bonds 99⅞. Fertilisers realised 2s., and the tone of Rubber Plantation shares remains favourable.

BANK OF IRELAND RATE, 6 PER CENT. ALLOWANCE ON DEPOSITS, 3 PER CENT.

	Previous Price.	Done Quoted in Dublin For Cash.	1 o'clock Bid.	Ask'd
Government Funds, etc.				
Consols.....	53½	53¼	...	...
2½ % Guar. Land. 1921	157⅛	157⅛	...	...
2½ % (1. Land Act.).....	52⅛	53⅛	...	...
3 % Guar. (1 Land), 1939.	57	56½	...	...
Banks.				
Bank of Ireland.....	183	185	...	...
Munster and Leinster.....	5⅞	5¾	...	...
National Bank of Ireland..	10¼	10⅝	...	...
Breweries and Distilleries.				
Guinness Ord.....	22	22½	...	...
Guinness 6¾ Cum. Pref....	10⅛	10⅜	...	...
Telegraphs and Telephones.				
Marconi's Wireless Tel.	58/	57/9	...	...
Railways and Tramways.				
Cork, B'don, S. Coast Ord.	"	42	...	...
do. & West (1.) Ord. Orig.	"	173½	...	...
Mid. Gt. West. 5%	...	...	...	78¼
Gt. Sth. & West. 4 2 Guar.	73*	73	...	...
Belfast & Co. Down 4% Deb.	...	70	...	72
Dub. S.E. Con. "A" Debs..	62	62	...	...
Miscellaneous.				
Parent Tyre Ord.....	22/9	22/10½	...	...
Parent Tyre Deferred.....	28/3	28 3	...	...
Parent Tyre Cum. Pref..	15/4½	15 6	...	...
Bolands 5 % Cum. Pref..	"	7	...	...
Bolands 5 % Deb.....	17⅞	7⅞	...	...
Bradford Dyers Ord.....	26 7¼*	26 7½	...	...
Calico Printers Ord.....	12/9	12/9	...	...
Coats 6% Cum. Pref.....	10½	10½	...	...
Coats Ord.....	64⅛*	64	...	...
Courtaulds.....	7¼	7⅜	...	...
Courtaulds Deb.....	80	80½	...	...
Kapp & Peterson Cm. Pf.	20/	...	...	20/
Ragots, Hutton Ord.....	"	"	...	90/
Ragots, Hutton 6%	"	"	...	"
Brooks, Thomas 5 % Pref.	"	16 9	...	...
Burke (E. and J.) Ord.	43½	45	40/	50/
Moore (Hugh) Ord.....	10 6	10 6	...	...
Tedcastle 5% Pref.....	"	"	80/	81/3
Thom, Alex.. 4½ % Deb....	"	170	...	...

* Ex-dividend. † Exceptional amount at special prices. ** Free of stamp duty. Business commences at 12 o'clock noon. Stock Exchange closed on Saturdays.

OTHER BUSINESS DONE—11.45 o'clock.

Dunlop Rubber Co. Ord. 53/9
Eastern Sumatra Rubber Estates 2/7
Exchequer 6 p.c. Bonds, 1920 ..... 101¼
Do. 5 p.c. Bonds, 1919, Reg. 99⅝
Fertilisers, Ltd. 2/-
Kamuning (Perak) Rubber and Tin 14/4
†Exceptional amount at special price.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following "markings" were recorded in business done in London yesterday:—

British-American Tobacco—9d/9, 4½d., 3/9, 5½, British Columbia Rubber—2/7, 13d., 16/6, British Oil and Cake—27/4, 7½d., 7/, British Argentine Meat—3⅛, 3¼d., 3d., 7¼d. Maypole Def.—21½, 20⅞, 21, 21⅛. Smithfield Argentine—24/6, 4/, 4½d., 3d., 7¼d., 6d., 4/. Bukit Raish—9¼, ⅛. Talpidg—3/11½, 4/-. Niger—40/3, 39/9, 6d. Lever—9/-, 10/6. Courtaulds—7⅜, 7. Parent Tyre Def.—27/6. Rubber Trust—27/6, 5d., 6d., 10¼d., 8⅛, 8½, 7⅞, 11¼d., 6d., 4½d., 10½d., 9d., 7¼d., 10¼d., 11½d., 8¼, 7/6, 8/-, 7/10½. Borneo Def.—6/10½, 7/2½, 5d., 4½d., 04d. English Sewing Cotton—44/6, 9d., 3/-, 4/-. Lyons Pref.—Ord.—27/10½, 7½d., 18/-. Salt Union—66/3, 5/6, 9d.

COMPANY RESULTS.

Oil Output.—The Ural Caspian Oil Corporation.—Total production for week ending 15th March, 150,476 poods, or 2,427 tons.

COMPANY NOTICES.

DUBLIN AND LUCAN ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the next Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at Donaghmede Road Terminus on Thursday, 29th day of March, 1917, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1916, Accounts and Statistical Returns for the past year, and for transacting the other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be Closed from the 19th March to the 29th March, 1917, both days inclusive.

(By Order)
D. McDOWALL, GROGART, Secretary of the Company.

Donaghmede road Terminus, Dublin, 12th March, 1917.

LONDON STOCK MARKETS IRREGULAR.

RESUMPTION OF TREASURY BILLS.

RUBBER SHARES STRONG.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, FRIDAY.

Although the favourable character of the war news and of Russian advices assured a steady undertone to the Stock markets, prices in the various departments displayed a good deal of hesitancy from time to time, and net movements were often irregular. The mildly depressing influence exercised upon representative domestic investment securities during the week by the imminence of dealing in the new War Loan was to-day accentuated to some extent by the official intimation that sales of Treasury bills were about to be resumed. There was no real pressure in any group, but the creation of new short-dated securities will undoubtedly be felt in proportion, as its cessation operated as a stimulant upon markets from January onwards, despite the flotation of the big loan. The 4½ p.c. Loan fell ¼ to 95⅜, but the 3½ p.c. Loan, at 88⅛, was ¼ better. Consols receded to 53. Bank of England Stock was marked x.d., and closed at 191½. The Colonial list was slow. Annuity Stocks held their ground. 6 p.c. Exchequer Bonds, after being 102, closed rather under that level.

ALLIED BONDS STEADY.

In the Foreign market Allied Bonds showed steadiness in most directions. Russian Fives receded to 79¾, though the character of advices from Russia was favourable, and forecasts of the result of the new international loan which is being arranged are highly optimistic. Greek issues were unchanged. There was continued support for Japanese quotations, and in the Chinese section the tendency was again a forward one. Argentine Bonds occasionally advanced ¼ to 1. Brazilian Funding Fives held around 76½.

HOME RAILS DULL.

The appearance of the Home Railway market was dull, and while net changes were rarely of importance, they were mostly adverse. The Heavy Stocks registered occasional losses of ¼ to ½ in extent. Scotch Stocks occasionally receded ¼ to ½.

AMERICANS LOWER.

Americans were nominal as usual. The rank and file registered several falls of around a dollar on adjustment to parity this morning.

CANADIANS AND MEXICANS SUPPORTED.

Canadian Pacifics were well supported, and touched 171½ at midday. A slight set-back occurred in the afternoon, but the stock was finally a dollar to the good at 171. Grand Trunk Junior Stocks weakened ¼, but the 4 p.c. Guaranteed Stock, at 61¾, was ¼ to the good. Mexican Rails were still in favour, and the 1st Pref. gained a full point at 52. There were a few rallies of ¼ among Argentine Rails. Bahia Blanca Guaranteed Fours added 1, and United of the Havana, at 79, was also a point better.

INDUSTRIALS FEATURELESS.

Among Miscellaneous securities conditions were colourless. Land Shares marked time, and in the Shipping section there were only trifling mixed changes. Court Line was dull at 24⅛. P. and O. and Royal Mail issues did not vary. The Supply group was steady, without special point of interest. Lyons Cake, held in advance to 5⅛, closed at 4⅞, were ⅛ lower. Aerated Breads closed at 39⅛, after being higher. Brazilian Tractions were steady. Assoc. Cements were moderately active, and fell ⅛ to 3⅞. Bank Shares were featureless. Armaments were lightly supported.

MINING MARKET STEADY.

Business in Mines was of moderate proportions, and specialities were good in several directions. In the Kaffir section, Eastern Stocks were scored for further advances, and closed cheerfully. Rhodesians were steady, but scattered realising occurred among Tanganyikas, on the generally quiet character of entry into the war. Tintos showed cheerfulness in the Copper section on the overnight dividend. The price of copper fell 10/- per ton, but 25 tons of fine Westralians were quick, and Russians fairly cheerful. Kaffir Finance Shares were mostly hard. Rand Mines added 6d. at 67/6. Johannesburg Consol. Investments were again bought, and advanced ¼ to 19¼. Sub Nigels, at 30/-, were good, but Modder Leases, at 57/9, and Springs, at 29/-, were dull. Tanks, at 47/-, were 6d. lower. De Beers fell ¼ to 13¼, among Diamond Shares. Jagersfontein were ¼ lower. As regards West-Australians, Ivanhoes rose 4/- to 43/6. Somewhere picked up 6d. to 35/6. There was not much doing among Copper Shares.

RUBBER SHARES IN DEMAND.

The price of rubber was a shade easier at 3/2½ per lb. The Batu Caves final dividend of 100 per cent., making 210 per cent. for the year, as against 185 per cent. last year, created a favourable impression. The demand for shares continued to be lively, attention being markedly devoted to concerns of the progressive type. Brich were changing hands at 33/- and 33/6, and Bagan Serai were 62/6 bid. Bukit Rajah was wanted at 9¼, and Bukit Ceh at 5/6. Chimpul fetched 2/8½, and Johore Lands changed hands at 55/-, the price closing at 54/9. There were buyers of Kamuning at 14/-. Langkat Sumatra were taken at 61/3, and Eastern Trust were a particularly strong spot after dealings at 27/6. Penang Rubber was bought at 5/-, and Merlimau were 5/9. Rembia Pref. were wanted at 50/- and Rubber Trust at 28/-, but Selaba were a little easier, with offers at 58/-, and Sungei Chuntong were taken at 12/4½ bid, and United Sua Betong were wanted at 63/9. In the Borneo group the feature yesterday was a rise in the price of Sabah to 43/9.

Generally in the Rubber section the tone of improvement in these shares predicted has now commenced, and is likely to continue, as the monthly outputs from the estate are increasing in a wonderful rapidity. The figure for February was 40,000 lbs. Borneo Trust were 16/6 bid. Manchester North Borneo, kept strong, and Membakut were taken at 21/3, while a good many Lok Kawi changed hands around 19/3.

OIL SHARES SLOW.

Oil Shares presented a sluggish appearance. Royal Dutch Shares did not move. Lobitos, after their recent jump, eased off 4/3. Anglo-Persians were taken at 10/6, were a good spot. Venezuelans were up to 1⅞.

DIVIDENDS, REPORTS, AND MEETINGS.

SCHILL BROS.—15 per cent. on present Ord.

COLTNESS IRON.—Interim on Ord. of 4 per cent. (actual).

COLONIAL BANK.—2½ per cent. for the half-year.

SWANSEA UNITED BREWERIES.—7 per cent. per annum on Ord.

MADRAS ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.—8 per cent. per annum on Ord.

SCOTTISH TUBE.—5 per cent. per annum and bonus of 50s. per share on Ord.

BROOKLANDS, SELANGOR RUBBER.—Interim of 7½ per cent.

LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY.—Further dividend of 1 per cent. on Pref., making 4 per cent. for the year.

TRANSVAAL GOLD MINING ESTATES.—A dividend of 5 per cent. (1/- per share) declared for the period ending 31st March, subject to tax.

RATU CAVES RUBBER.—Final of 105 per cent., making 210 per cent. for the year, as against 185 per cent. last year.

JOHN MILLIGEN AND COMPANY, LIMITED.—The directors have declared a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, free of income tax, for the six months ending 31st January, 1917, making 16 per cent., free of income tax, for the year.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN MORTGAGE CO.—A dividend of 2½ per cent. on the Pref. Shares, being 5 per cent. for the year, and a dividend of 5 per cent. on the Ordinary Shares, being 10 per cent. for the year, together with a bonus of 5 per cent., making 15 per cent. in all.

CLOSING PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols.....	53⅜	War Ln.1915 ...[5]3¼	⅜
French Loan...[7]3½	80+ ½	War Loan, 1917	⅜
Irish Land Bds.[3]3½	82½	India 3½ p.c.	64-5 ½
War Loan,[4]4	86⅛ + ⅜	do. 3 p.c.	53-6 ½

‡ Minus Conversion Rights.

FOREIGN BONDS.

Arg'ne'ne,1886.90½	1¼ +1	Japan 4½ Bnd.....	91-2
do. 5p.c., '07.....	83-3	do.4 p.c.,1905.....	79-80
Brazil 5p.c. 1913.....	81-3	do.New 5p.c.	89¾
do.5 pc.1914.....	76-7	Mex. 5 p.c., '99.....	42-4
Chinese 5 '96.....	90-2 +1½	Peruvian Corp...	45-5
do. 4½p.c.'98.....	76-8	do. Ext. Loan.....	22-23
do.5 pc.1911.....	77-8	do. Deb....	79½ 80½
Egyptian Un 77½	8¼	Portuguese 3pc...	51-4
German 3 p.c	53-4	Russian 4 p.c.	42-4
Greek 5 p.c.....	60-3	do.5pc.1906....	79¾ 80 - ½
Hungarian 4 p.c.....	45— ⅜	Spanish 4p.c.	89¾ 90¾
Italian Rentes.....	55-60	U'guay 5½p.c.	64-4
Jap.4½p.c.'05.....	91-2		

HOME RAILS.

Brighton"A".....	89-90 - ½	L. & N-W.....	94⅜ ⅜
Caledonian	47-8	do. 4½ Pf.....	91-3
Gt. Pf. Ord.....	39¾ ½	L. & S.-W.....	81-4
do. 2nd Pref.....	31-2 - ½	do. 4 p.c. Deb.	82-4
Gt.Nth.Lon. Db.	75-83	do New 5 pc.	93-5
Chatham	8¼ ⅛	Metropolitan.	23½ ¼
do. Pref.....	55-7	do. 5p.c. Pf.....	60-2
do. 4½ Deb.....	83-7	do. District.....	16-17
Gt. Cent'l Df....	71½ ¼	Midland Def.....	57½
Gt. Eastern.....	39½	Gt. Brit. Cons.....	84¾
Gt. N. Pref.....	62¼ ¾ - ¼	N. East Con....	89½ 100
do. Def.....	35¾ ¼	do. 4½ Pf.....	91-3
Gt. Western.....	85½ ¼ - ¼	Nth. Staf.....	78 - ½
Hull&Barns'y	39½ 40¾	do. 5 Pref.....	79-80
Lancs.&Yks....	84¼ ¾	Taff Vale.....	81¾ ¼

AMERICAN RAILS.

Atchison	108¾ ⅞	N.Y.Ontario...	25¾ ⅝
do. Pref.....	103-4	Norfolk.....	133-5
Balt.& Ohio ...	78¼ ⅝	Northern Pac.	108-9
Chesapeake..	80½ ¼ - 1⅛	Reading.....	86-100
Chicago, Mil.....	85-6	Southern	26-1
Denver, ...	14¾ ¼	South Pac.....	97-8
do. Pref.....	34¾ ⅛	Un. Pacific.....	140-2
Erie	20-21	Wabash(New).....	13-15
Illinois.....	103¾ ¼	do. Pref.....	27-8
Louisville	137½ ⅝	U.S. Steel....	114¼ 115¾ - ⅜
Missouri.....	8¼ ⅝	do. Pref.	113¾ 4¼
N.Y.& H.R.....	100-1	o Parity	

CANADIAN AND FOREIGN RAILS.

Can. Pacific.	170¾ 1¼ +1	Brazil 6 pc.,Fr.....	7-9
do. Nor. 3½ Db.	87-70	Brazil 4½ Mort...	70-2
do.4p.c. Deb.....	83-6	Argyesgtl.5 p.c.	77-8+ ⅛
Grand Trunk.....	11¾ - ⅛	S. Ayres Pac.....	42-4
do.4p.c.Guar.....	61 2+ ⅛	S.Ayres & W's..	75-7
do. 1st Pref.....	52-3	Cen.Arg'ne....	94½ 5¾
do. 2nd Pref.....	33-4	do.6 p.c.Notes..	
do. 3rd Pref.....	23½ - ⅛	Cent. Uruguy.....	49-51
do.4p.c. Deb.....	67-8	Entre Rios.....	16-22
do.4p.Ape Be.....	76-8	do. 5 pc. Pref	42-4
Antofa'ta Pf....	80-82	Mex. Rails....	16¾ 16⅝
do. Ord.....	120-2	do.4 p.c. 1st Pf..	51¾ 52¾ +1
do. Deb....	85-6	do. 6pc.Pf.....	27⅝ 8¼
Armavir-To'pe.....	70-2	Mex. S. Debs.....	57-9
Bahia Blanca.....	21-2 +1	Pan Paulista.....	99-100
do. 5¼ 2nd Db.	63-5	Un. Havana.....	16-80+1
Brazil Rail.....	41¾ ⅛		

OIL SHARES.

Black Sea	2/- +1d	Mex Eagle Pf.	41/14- 3d
Burmah	96/3- 3d	Rum. Consol.	9/3- 2d
Kern River	10/4+2d	Shell	5/5- 1d
Lobitos	43/- +2/6d	Spies	14/6+4d

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL, Friday.—There is little change noticeable in this market for any description of provisions pending the importers' conference this evening with the Food Controller. Advices from Chicago have little effect, the partial set-back in value of lard being counterbalanced by the advance in other descriptions, and arrivals of bacon are being again very moderate. AMERICAN BACON is again in request at steady quotations. IRISH BACON still in good demand, the wholesale prices ruling round about 143/- to 145/- per cwt. Canadian in fair request at 142/- to 145/-, while Dutch is still quoted 143/- to 142/- per cwt. LARD on the spot more or less nominal for prime steam, owing to small supplies, and American refined meets a moderate inquiry at about late prices. CHEESE steady, with Canadian nominal through scarcity, and States obtainable at 157/- to 159/- per 112lbs. Australian 140/- to 150/- per cwt. EGGS firmer, with a good demand for Irish at 17/- per box, and 17/6 to 18/- for Danish and Egyptians 12/- to 13/- per 120. Compound firm at 97/- to 105/- per cwt. in 224lb. boxes.

Imports of Provisions.

	Bacon.	Beef.	Butter.	Cheese.	Hams.	Pork.	Lard.
	Boxes.	Tierc's.	Pack's.	Boxes.	Boxes.	Bris.	Tons.
To-day.....	1152			103	187	5	12
This week	10261	1	2	10111	533	140	438
This year	118168	2617	118186	11-3	1-3	1-3	1-3
Last year	211456	2661	36464	113538	45652	4369	2610

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DUBLIN VEGETABLE, March 23.—There was a very large general supply of vegetables on market this morning, and a particularly good demand for everything. Prices for best and fine quality remain about the same as last week, being mostly inquired for, while inferior and medium sorts are relatively scarce. HAMS also more moderately sold in consequence at about late rates. Cabbage, short cut attracting most attention. IRISH EGGS still in good demand, the wholesale prices ruling round about 143/- to 145/- per cwt. Canadian in fair request at 142/- to 143/-, while Dutch is still quoted 143/- to 142/- per cwt. LARD on the spot more or less nominal for prime steam, owing to small supplies, and American refined meets a moderate inquiry at about late prices. CHEESE steady, with Canadian nominal through scarcity, and States obtainable at 157/- to 159/- per 112lbs. Australian 140/- to 150/- per cwt. EGGS firmer, with a good demand for Irish at 17/- per box, and 17/6 to 18/- for Danish and Egyptians 12/- to 13/- per 120. Compound firm at 97/- to 105/- per cwt. in 224lb. boxes.

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